

Record Group 104. Entry 1.

GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE,
1792-1899.

RG 104 RECORDS OF THE
 BUREAU OF THE MINT
U.S. Mint At Philadelphia,
1791-1936

Correspondence, 1792-1904

GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE,
1792 - 1899

1864 - DEC.

To

1865 - MAR.

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U.S. MINT

GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE

1864 / DECEMBER 1

P. A. & S. Small,

MERCHANTS.

York, Penn'a., Dec 31/64.

Sir,

We enclose draft for cents.

Fifty dollars.

Yours,

J. A. W. Small.

To
Mrs H. S. Mint
Philadelphia,

Transf'd to Express
Aug 3/65 L.H.L.

P. A. H. Small
York Dec 3/45
Fifty Dollars for rent

Galena. Kent County, Md
Dec, 31st 1864

Treasure U.S. Mint.

Phil^d Pa Dear Sir, Enclosed find Twenty Five dollars, for which please send me by Adams Express, to Middleton Delaware,

1500 one cent pieces +

500 two cent pieces

and oblige
very Respectfully

Your Obedt^t Serv^t

Wm^m Rodgers

Post Master, Galena,
Kent County, Md

Sent by Express
to day
May 4/65

L.R.D.

Wm Rodges Rm
Galena Kent Co
Md

Cent - Dec. 31/64

Henry Guild, President.
C. R. Washburn, Cashier.

Peoples Bank.

Proxbury Dec 30th 1864

Arch. McIntyre Esq.

Treas. U. S. Mint.

Dear Sir.

I enclose my check
No. 472 on Metropolitan Bk. New York for
(100 dols.) One Hundred Dollars; for which
please send
Fifty Dollars in cents. to this Bank; &
Fifty " " " " Eliot Savings Bk.
and oblige

yours very respectfully
C. R. Washburn Cashr.
New.

Check recd
& registered Dec 31/64
R. H. P.

Peoples Bank

Roxbury Dec 30/64

C. R. Washburn

Litchfield Ct Dec 30/64

Treasurer U.S. Mint

Dear Sir

About the 10th of Nov last I sent you \$50

for cents. on Rec^d of which you wrote me
stating you would send them. I have not
rec^d them yet & am troubled very much to
make change & if you could send them soon
you would greatly oblige

Yours Truly

Riverius Marsh
P.M.

Sent to Express

Lepore Nov 19th

Active, Dec 31, /64.

Lellohfield Es

Dec 3rd / 64

Reverend Mother

P^m

"Cents"

CORNELIUS BRUYN, PRESIDENT.

CHARLES D. BRUYN, CASHIER.

Ulster County Bank,

KINGSTON, N. Y.,

30th Dec 1860

A. M. Intyre
Esq., Cashier:
Treas. of U. S. Mint

Dear Sir: I enclose

Dft. on Ulster Co. Bank my \$100.
which amount please send me in cents

Respy yours
C. D. Bruyn

Recd
Dec 3/65
L. D. B.

Kingston N.Y.

Dec 30/64

Chelsea Vermont.

Dec 30th 1864

To the
Treasurer of
the U. S. Mint
at Philadelphia

Sir

I Enclose draft on
9th National Bank of N.Y.
No 118 for \$50.00 which I wish
to deposit for that amount
of one + two Cent Coins.

Respectfully Yours.

Recd by
Express to day
Dec 31/65
L.H.B.

J. D. Bacon
Post Master
at
Chelsea,
Vermont.

J. D. Bacon Mr
Chelsea N.Y.

Dec. 30, 1864

Cents

National Bank of Penna

Pottsville Dec 30 1864

A Mc Intyre Esq

U.S. Asst Tr Phila

Herewith please have

Ch on Trans & Mech Nat BK Phila for \$ 2,091.64

For taxes as follows as per statements herewith

For month of July 1864 \$ 128.72 ✓

" " " Augt 1864 170.97 ✓

" " " Sept 1864 392.58 ✓

" " " Oct 1864 487.04 ✓

" " " Nov 1864 539.78

Taxes on Dividends November 1864 372.55 2,091.64

Please send receipt for same.

Respectful

E H Dengler Cashier

1/3/65

Abell

2091.64
372.55
1719.09

National Bank
Pittsboro

Dec 30/64

C. H. Dringler Cashr

Bennetts La Ark
Treasurer W. S. Smith

Philadelphia

Dear Sir - Enclosed
will find Fifty Dollars \$50.00
which please send me \$30.00
1 penny & \$20 worth 2 penny
the use of this Office. and

Yours Truly

Samuel H. Lane

Post Master

Bennetts

Banks

P.

Send them by Express to Read
for stage to Bennetts

Send by Express
to day - L. H. S.
Dec 24/64

Samuel R. Lundow
Bennville

Dec 81/64

\$50 for Cents

Copied,

Phil. Dec. 30. 64

E. G. Hamner,
Boston,

Please fur-
nish us two (2) bbls Lard oil
same as sent him before,

Respectfully,
(Sij) Jas Pollack
Jr.

Ys,

E. I. Hancock,
Boston,

Lana oil, or-
dura,

Dec. 30. 1864

Ordinary as

Philadelphia December 30th 1864.

At United States Mint.

Bought of WILLIAM H. SCHIVELY,

Terms:

Importer of DRUGS, CHEMICALS, COLORS, APOTHECARIES' WARE, &c.

{ Any deductions are to be claimed within }
{ 5 days after delivery of the Goods. }

No. 41 North Front Street.

*Eight Cases containing
8 Porcelain Refining Pots (with handles)
holding 220^{lb} . . .*

\$87.50 Each, in currency . . . \$700.-

*Conc'd by
Thos. C. Pollack
for W.H.S.*

*Rec'd by
Jan 4. 1865
W. H. Schively*

W.H.S.

$\frac{221}{228}$

Bill & Receipt of
Wm H. Schively
Phila

W. Boston December 29/64

Supt. of the M. S. Mint
Philadelphia Pa
Dear Sir

We herewith return
the gold received from the
Mint this day as the proceeds
of 20 ⁴⁶/₁₀₀ oz of Gold we sent for
Coinage as there appears to
be a serious mistake in the
amount returned to us for the
same. We are certain that
the gold was about 8 or 9 carats
fine in the lump and consequently
feel certain that there is a
very serious difference between
our estimate and the actual returns.
Heretofore your returns have
always been correct but in this
instance we are certain there is

a mistake.

By examining into
this matter and reporting as
early as possible you will
much oblige

Yours Truly
S. J. Myers
Paul

From S. & J. Myers. on
Exp in deposit of gold
made Dec 22 1865 of
21.66 ^u oz, with report
of Assayer &c.

Filed Jan 13. 1865
L.

Treasurer W. S. Mint
Philadelphia
Pa.

Enclosed
we hand you Fifty Dollars (\$50),
for which please send us penny &
two penny pieces, at your earliest
convenience, as we need them very
much in making change in our
business.

You may send what proportion
of each, as you will please see fit.

Respectfully Yours,

Jackman & Heath
MMD

Binghamton N.Y.

December 28, 1864

Trans^d to the Adams Express
Dec 30
L.H.B.

Jackson & Marks
Binghamton Ny
Decr. 28. 1864

Ques

Weippport Carbon county Pa
Dec 29th 1864

Mr Asch^d McIntyre
Treasurer of U.S. Mint

Dear Sir -

inclosed

you will receive \$20. for
which you will please send
me cents for \$10. and two
cent pieces for \$10.

Send to Schington Station
by Express, by N. P. & L. V. R. R.

Respectfully yours, &c

D. Heberling

Transf to Express
Aug 4th 1865
E. H. L.

O Heberling
Weissport
Carbon Co Pa
Decr. 29. 1864

Coin -

To.
Sec. Treasury,

Call attention to
Annual Report
necessity of the
President appoint-
ing Special com-
missioners.

Dec. 28. 1864

Dec. 28th 1864.

Wm. H. P. Farnsworth

Sec. Treas.

Sir,

I have the honor to request that you will call the attention of the President to the necessity of appointing Special Commissioners for the Annual Meeting which will take place at the Mint on the second Monday in February next, (18th), under the provisions of the 32nd Section of the Act of 18th January 1837.

It has been customary for several years past, for the Director to suggest the names of suitable persons for appointment as Assay Commissioners. I therefore beg leave respectfully to present the names of the following gentlemen for the consideration of the President.

Prof. Joseph Henry, Washington D.C.

" John Torrey, New York, Assay Office,

" Henry Morton,

Philadelphia

" John H. Trague

M. Carey Lea Esq. Philadelphia
Prof. Josiah P. Cooke, Harvard University, Boston,
Pres. John M. Mason, College of N. Jersey, Princeton,
As it is important that there should be a
quorum present on the day fixed by law for
the meeting of the Commission, I have pre-
sented the names of three gentlemen of this City,
two of whom I hope it will meet your views to
have appointed. That number, with the ex-
officio Commissioners, will number as a quorum.
The number of Special Commissioners is not limit-
ed by law. It has been customary to appoint
from six to eight.

The appointment should be made, and the
gentlemen designated informed thereof as
early as convenient, in order that they may
have time to make the necessary prepara-
tions for leaving home.

Very respectfully,

Yours obt. Servant

J. W. Folger
Director.

Treasury Department
First Auditor's Office
December 27th 1864.

Archibald McIntyre Esqr
Treasurer of the Mint
Philadelphia
Sir,

Your Bullion
account for the third quarter 1864,
has been reported to the First Comp-
troller of the Treasury for his action
thereon.

Very Respectfully

L. M. M.
Auditor

A.S.N.
Recd. P.

Treasury of the United States,

CASH DIVISION,

Washington, Dec. 20, 1864.

Sir.

I have received \$2,000. in
one and two cent pieces as advised in
your favor of the 16th inst.

Respectfully
A. A. S. Ginn
Treasurer
U. S.

James Pollock Esq.
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia
Pa.

Yours,
H. E. Guinn
Treas. U. S.

Ack. rec'd of
\$2000 in cents & two-
cent pieces,
Dec 21st 1864.

Correspondence
U. S. Mint, & Branches

December 1864.

Office of Collector Deputy Collector
Sixth Collection District, State of Pennsylvania,

Allentown, Pa. Dec. 21. 1864

A. McIntyre Esqr

Dear Sir

Enclosed find
Twenty five Dollars, for which
Please send me per return of Ex-
press cents as follows,
for ten dollars two cent pieces
for fifteen Dollars one cent pieces
And oblige

Yours

Geo. Buissel

Deputy Collector

6th Dist. Pa.

Recd by Express

to day

Dec 22/64 G. H. L.

Geo. Bevis Dep. Collr

Allentown Pa

Dec. 21. 1864

Cent

Gordons, C. Dec. 21st 1844.

To the Treasurer of United States
Mint - at Philadelphia Pa.

Dear Sir:

Inclosed please find
two drafts. One calling for \$30, and one
\$10, dollars, making \$40, for which send
me the following.

2000.	One-cent pieces	\$20.00
1000	two-cent. pieces.	20.00
		\$40.00

Please forward them as soon
as possible as it is impossible for
me to get along here without them. And
much oblige.

Very Truly Yours.

N. J. Werts.

Pastor at
Gordons.

Darke Co.
Ohio

Recd by Express
to day
12/28 E.C.B.

H. L. Wits Am
Gordon O.

Dec. 21/68
Conn

Sec. 21st 14.

Messrs. Hendricks Bros.

New York.

Gents.

I have
to inform you that the two
orders from you have arrived,
and the bill found to be
correct.

You may draw on me at
sight at any time for amt
of same.

Very respectfully
J. L. Rock
Secretary.

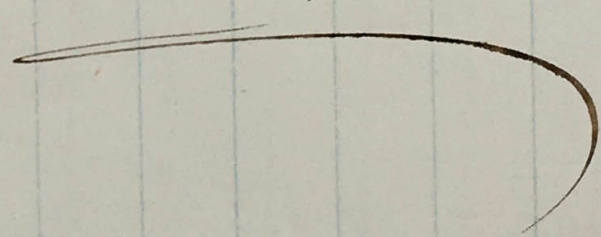
To.

Hendricks Bros

No. 7,

Trinova to
draw for a/c,

Dec 20th / 64



Fiscal Agent,

United States Treasury,

Ninth National Bank,

New-York, Dec 23 1864.

Hon James Pollock
Director of the mint
Philadelphia

Dear Sir:

Can you furnish
me any 3¢ pieces & 5¢
on what terms -? How many

Yrs Respy

Wm A
R

Local Agent U.S.G.
9 National Bldg
New York

Buffin. Co. Dec 22/82

Pres. U.S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir send to

The following persons Cents

J. M. Taylor 25.00

John Musgrave 25.00

W. W. Taylor 25.00

William Wallace 25.00

for which we enclose dfr on Amers
Ex Bk by for One Hundred dollars

Truly Yours
J. M. Taylor & Co

Transf to Express Co
12/27 L.H.B.

J. M. Hayler & Bro

Tiffin Ohio

Dec. 22, 64

Cents

FOR DEPOSIT IN THE
MECHANICS BANK

Wm. W. B. B. B.
636

DAY CARE & MECHS BANK
PHILA OR ORDER.

Wm. W. B. B.

N. Rush

\$ 1848 $\frac{69}{100}$

New York December 22nd 1864

At sight Pay to the

Order of The Mechanics' Bank

Eighteen hundred forty eight & $\frac{69}{100}$ Dollars

Value received and charge the same to account of

To James Pollock Esq.

Yours Respectfully

Director U. S. Mint, Philadelphia.

Wm Wicks Brother

Post Office at Galena, Kent County, Md.
Dec 23rd 1864

Treasurer of U.S. Mint
Phil^a Pa 3

Dear Sir, As Post Master
at Galena, Kent County, Md., I find it very
difficult to get along without cents; When
in Phil^a last week I inquired of one of
the Officers of the Mint if I could get
some cents. He told me if I would add-
-up a letter to you from my place of bus-
-iness as Post Master, that you would
furnish me with what I needed for
the proper conducting of the Post Office.
Please inform me if I can get Twenty
Dollars worth of one and two Cent pieces,
and if it how they are to be obtained, whether
on advancing the amt. in U.S. Currency
or to be paid to some other officer on pre-
sentation of your order for them.

An answer
from you will confer a great favor and
Oblige Very Respectfully
Your Obedt Servt
Wm Redmont Post Master

Yours have to receive reply I don't see
that at the receipt of \$25 - in local money
from you I will forward of 1/2 of the (like)
amount in cents for the use of your office
to be transferred by the Group Co. I then received it
by you without charges to you.

Nothing Clinton must wait for 71.9 weeks then
an exception is made of your office in money when
the cents are for the use of your office.

Wm Rodgers Pth
Galena Kent Co. Md

Dec. 23. 1861

Corn

Cha's. Weiser,
Cha's. S. Weiser.

Banking House of Cha's. Weiser & Son,

New York, Pa., Dec 23rd 1864

Archibald McJesty Esq.,

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find
our c/o on Western Bank for \$50.⁰⁰
for which please send us one and two
cent pieces.

Very Respy
Cha's Weiser for.

Transf to Adams Express
Dec 24th H. G. S.

Chas. Weiss & Son

Your Son

Dec. 23^d 1864

Cent _____

Dec. 23^d 1864

Chas. Weiss & Son

Brooklyn Dec 26/1864
Assistant Treasurer
U. S. Philadelphia
Dear Sir

Please find enclosed
our check No. 1468 for
Fifty / 50 Dollars, for which
you will be kind enough
to send us U. S. Pennies
at your earliest convenience
Very respectfully
your obed^t Servant
Frederick Loesch & Co

277 Fulton Street
Brooklyn L. I.
Transf^r to Express Co
New York
Dec 29/64 L.L.B.

Frank Loesser & Co
Brooklyn Dec. 26/64
Cent

1945 Dec 24 1861
Director U S Mint
Phl

Dear Sir
on Nov 30th I forwarded
draft \$50 - for Cr. -
please send them all
in one Cr. - to
Pay to order - \$30 in 2
+ 20 in 1

Yours Truly

C. D. Smith

Poughkeepsie N. Y.

B. D. Smith.

P. Keppel

N. Y.

Post Office,

Baltimore, Md., Dec 27. 1864.

Sir:

I herewith send you One Hundred (100) dollars, for which please send for the use of this Office a like amt as follows

50 doll in one cent pieces.

50 " " two " "
per "Adams Express Co." to be paid.

Respectfully

N. H. Burnell PM

per J. P. W. Richardson
Treas.

To Arch^d McIntyre Jr.
Treas. U.S. Mint
Phild
Pa

Remd by Express
to day
12/28
L.H.S.

Wm T. Russell Esq
Baltimore Md
Decr 27. 64

Cuts

United States Treasury,

New York, Dec^r 20th 1864,

Sir,

I this day forward to your address, by Express,
\$1,000 in U.S. Treasury Notes for which I will
thank you to send me in one cent pieces \$600,

" two " " 400.

\$1,000

The same being necessary for the business operations
of this Office —

Very respectfully Yours

John Stuart

Asst. Treasr, U.S.

Send \$500 to day
bal will be sent

tomorrow
12/21

L.S.B.

Archibald McIntyre Esq

Treasurer U.S. Mint.

Philadelphia, Pa.

J. A. Stewart

Treasurer New York

Decr. 20. 1864

Cents

Treasury Department,

December 20th 1864

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the
17th inst, to the Secretary, requesting the admission, free
of duties and charges, of 8 Cases Porcelaine Refining
Pots marked W H S # $\frac{221C}{228}$

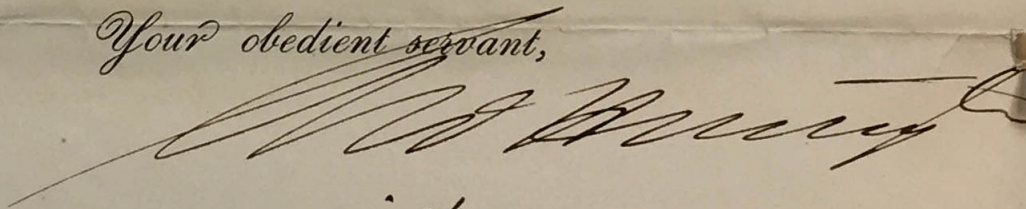
imported for the service of the United States Mint
in the Bark "Stella" by W^m H. Shively at
the port of New York.

The Collector of Customs at that port has been instructed
accordingly.

By order:

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,


assist^t. Secretary of the Treasury.

To

Ja^s. Pollock Esq.

Director U. S. Mint

Philadelphia, Pa:

From

Sec. Treasury.

You furnish for
8 Paulownia Refining
pots. imported by
J. H. Schuch at
N. Y.

Recd ~~20th~~ 1844

Post Office, Reading, Pa.

Dec. 19, 1864

Sir:

Enclosed find draft on Bk of
North America for \$100.00, paya-
ble to your Order, for which please
forward me same amount in
Cents for the use of this office.

Respectfully

J. Knapp P.M.

A. W. Intyre &

Asst. Treas. U. S.

Phila.

Send by Express

to day

Dec 20/64 E. G. L.

J. Knapp P.M.

Reading Pa

Dec. 19. 1864

Acute

Adams Express Company,

OFFICE OF THE GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT, 59 BROADWAY.

To Agents.

The following Resolution was passed by the Board of Managers, at their recent meeting, which is to be observed from and after this date, as the rule for charging on gold and silver forwarded by Express. You will see that it is faithfully complied with.

HENRY SANFORD,

Ass't Gen'l Sup't.

By order GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT.

Dated, NEW-YORK, Dec. 19 1864.

RESOLVED :—“That all the Offices of this Company and
“its Branches be, and hereby are, instructed to receive gold
“or silver, only as gold or silver, and to receipt for it as
“gold or silver at its nominal value, and to collect freight
“thereon, in coin, at the present Tariff Rates for gold or
“silver. Whenever it may be inconvenient for the cus-
“tomer to pay his freight in ^{like kind} ~~coin~~, the Agent is at liberty to
“receive therefor its equivalent in currency, estimated at the
“current rate of that date.”

Resolution

Adams Express Co.

In reference to charging
on Gold and Silver by
Express

Dec. 1864

First National Bank.

Directly opposite the State House.

Concord, N. H., Dec 17, 1864.

Treas of C. & S. Minn Philad

Dear Sir

Yours of 16 inst
at hand - Not receiving the
cents I have thought (as your
state) that my order might have
been placed to await my turn -
Enclosed I hand you my \$50
on New York 50 \$ for cents and
would like (if you can) to have
credit for the same a few
weeks back -

Yours Respectfully

Res^d Dec 22/64
H. L. L.

Wm. Storrs

P.S.

When shall I expect the
Coin for this \$50 -
- in about 8 weeks H. L. L.

W. W. Stow

Cashier

1st Nat. Bk. Cincinnati

N.H. Decr. 19. 1864

Cent

Treasury Department,

First Auditor's Office,

Decr 19th, 1864.

Archibald McIntyre
Treas of Mint
Philadelphia,
Sir;

Enclosed herewith
find Silver Warrant No 304 (John G.
Butler) 3^d quarter 1864. returned that
the Deposit Receipt may be properly
endorsed.

Very Respectfully

L. Smith
Auditor

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department,

New York,

Dec 14. 1861

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of \$155,591.58 in Gold Coins in payment of Invoice N^o 33.

No further transmission of gold or silver bullion, from this Office to the Mint, will take place this quarter.

Very Respectfully

Wm Stewart
Treasurer

Arch^d W. Intyre Esq
Treasurer U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

Treasury Department.

Dec 17. 1864

Sir

Your letter of the 14th inst. is received, requesting an addition of \$300,000- to the Mint Bullion Fund, for the purpose of making more prompt payments to depositors, and the U.S. Treasurer has been directed to issue the necessary transfer draft for this purpose.

I am very respectfully,

Wm. B. Ewing
Asst. Secretary of Treasury

James Pollock Esq

Director of Mint

Phil^a

From,

Sec. Treasury,

Consents to increase
the Bullion Fund
(Gold) \$300,000

Dec. 19th 1864

Yo.

Sec. Treasury,

Washington
D.C.

Request admission
duty free of Spru-
ce's pots. at
Port of New York
Dec. 17th 1864

Phil: December 15. 1864.

Eight Cases containing Eight "Porcelain Refi-
-ning Pots", marked W.H.S. $\frac{\#221c}{228}$ now lying
in Bonded Warehouse of N York Custom House -
imported in the Bark "Stella" Capt Steengrafe
from Bremen to N York.

Entered in N York Aug. 20. 1864.

by
William H. Schively

Dec. 17th 4.

Hon W. P. Lessenor,

Sec. Treasury.

Sir,

I have to request
that you will instruct the Collector of
the Customs at New York, to admit
free of duty and charges, eight (8)
cases, containing eight (8) "Porcelain Re-
framing Pots" marked **W. H. S.** $\frac{\$2210}{228}$, now
lying in Bonded Warehouse of N. York
Custom House, imported in the Bark. *Wetmore*
Capt Steengraef, from Bremen to New York.
Entered at New York Aug, 20. 1864. by *Wm*
H. Shively. The same are for the use
of the U. S. Mint.

Very Respectfully
J. W. Pollock
Director.

P. S. Conry Erie Pa
Dec 16 1864

Treas^r U. S. Mint
Philada Pa

Sir Enclosed
please find Draft on New
York for Fifty Dollars for
which please send me for
use of this Office 2500
two cent pieces. I am obliged

Yours Resp^{tly}
James Foreman
P. M.
W. E. F.
A. P. W.

Recd by U. S. Mint
to day
12/19
E. H. C.

Delivered by
Phila & Erie R.R.

As. Freeman Rm
Copy Eni C. R.
Dec. 16. 1864
Cents



\$1780:74

JERSEY CITY, N. J. December 18th 1864

At Right

Pay to

the order of Messrs

Seventeen hundred & Eighty — Dollars

Value received and charge the same to account of

To James P. Jones & Co.

United States Natl. Bank

J. J. Samuels



W. G. Sumner

Pay to the order of

J. M. W. S. P. K.

for collection for payment of interest
County Bank,

A. A. ~~Sumner~~, Treasurer

W. A. Sumner

Dec: 16th 44

Hon J. C. Spencer,
Treasurer U. S.

Sir,

I have back-
knowledge receipt of yours this morn-
ing enclosing draft on Asst. Treas^r.
at Philad^a for \$2000. for same sent
in one and two-cent coin.
I will forward \$1000 in cents to-mor-
row the 17th, and the remainder on
Monday the 19th inst.

Very Respectfully
J. W. Pollock
Director

Treasury of the United States,

CASH DIVISION,

Washington, Dec 15th, 1864.

Sir:

I enclose herewith my
draft on Asst. Treas Phila for \$2000.
please send like amount in one
and Two Cent coin.

Respectfully

E. D. Johnson
Treas. U.S.

James Pollock Esq
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia
Pa

From etc.

Hon F. E. Spinner
Treas. U. S.

Cents raised,

Dec. 16th, 1864

POST OFFICE,

Norfolk, Va Dec 15 1864

A M Intyre Esq
Post Treas & Branch Mint
Philada Pa

Sir

Enclosed I hand
an draft No 57 Nat Bank Norfolk Va on
1st Nat Bank Philada payable to your
order for \$50⁰⁰ fifty dollars for which
please send me 25 dolls in 2^d Coin
+ 25 ad. int cent coin for the use of
this P O Please send by Adams E. Co

Very Respy &c

E W Whipple P M
for M A Stearns
A P M

Recd by Express
to day
Dec 17/64 L E S

E. W. Whipple Pk
Hosier Va

Decr. 15. 1864

Cents

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department,

New York,

Dec 11 1864

Sir

I herewith enclose Express Receipt
and Invoice of 33 of Three bars fine
gold bars, net value \$155,591.58 pay-
able in double eagles.

Please inform me
the latest date you can receive and pay
for, within the quarter, an Invoice of Gold;
say, \$100,000

Very Respectfully

Arch^d W^m Sater Esq

John A. Stuart

Treasurer U. S. Mint

Treasurer

Philadelphia

Bullion when received

will be returned this

quarter if it does not exceed a value of 100,000.

Original.

No. 33

New York, Dec 14 1862

Received from the Treasurer of the U. S. Assay Office, for
transportation and delivery to the Treasurer of the U. S. Mint at

Philadelphia. Two boxes of Gold bullion of the net value of

One Hundred & fifty five thousand, five
hundred & ninety one ^{58/100} — Dollars.

\$ 155,591.58

[Signature]

Pittsburgh Dec: 14th 1864

Hon Jas Pollock

Director of Mint of the United States
Philad:

Dear Sir,

Yours of 12th Inst is rec^d.
The native Silver ore as sent from our Mines on L. Superior
probably contains less than $\frac{2}{3}$ in weight of silver as
compared with the adhering copper, but is still a very
valuable ore for silver.

Referring to your former assays of this ore for me I find in
Nov 1862 ^{or ac} 998.50 before melting yielded ^{or ac} 687.54 stand^d wt &
produced \$842.24 net value; and in Sept 1863 that
^{or ac} 1385.42 before melting yielded ^{or ac} 640.63 stand^d wt producing
\$784 $\frac{77}{100}$ net value.

As we know of no other way by which the Silver we obtain
can be made available to us, it will be regarded as a favor
if this can be rec^d & treated as heretofore. We are of course
willing to pay whatever is deemed proper for the service. I
should have sent this lot on had I not been advised by Mr.
Howe representing the Cliff mine, that there was a difficulty.
Very Respectfully, Jr W. Smith
James M. Cooper

Sum

James M. Cooper

Pittsburgh

Per

Silver Copper

Dec 14/64

Cannot see on it

D

First National Bank.

Directly opposite the State House.

Concord, N. H., Dec 14, 1864.

Treas of Phil & Min

Dear Sir

Upon receipt
of yours of Nov 22 advising me
that upon the receipt of my \$500
sent to that amount would
be sent me at once, I therefore
sent you \$500 on New York
and the check has not yet
been received.

Yrs Respectfully

Wm W Storrs

Will be sent to due
Dec 16/
R. 28/
420 -

W. W. Lums Esq

1st Nat. Bank

Concord NH

Decr. 14, 1864

Cent

Calais Dec 14. 1864

Mr James Pollock
Sir

Enclosed please
find Calais Bank check for Fifty Dollars,
for which please send me cents as soon as
convenient

Yours Respectfully
C. R. Pike

Letter received Dec 19th/64 with no
check enclosed and informed C. R. Pike to
that effect.

W. H. O.

CRORke
Calais
me.



Carlisle Barracks Pa
December 13. 1864.

To the Assistant Treasures
of the United States
Philadelphia
Pa.

Sir;

I have the honor to
enclose herewith in compliance, with Circular
56 A Q O July 21. 1864 - Six hundred and forty
five dollars. (\$645 ⁰⁰/₁₀₀) bounty money left into my hands
in the following cases, viz: -

- 1st Fidell Heller, a deserter from Co "B" 13th Pa Cav
His bounty was placed in my hands, when he
was turned over as a deserter, at this Post, and
he did not claim it when he was forwarded
to his Regiment August 13. 1864. \$ 215 ⁰⁰/₁₀₀
- 2^d Wallace Maglaughlin; a rejected recruit of
the Mounted Service \$ 430 ⁰⁰/₁₀₀

12/16/64

Abell

Very respectfully Sir
Yours obt^s Servt

(over)

Lt. J. B. Johnson
Calcutta Barracks
Decr. 13. 1864

Lt. J. B. Johnson
1st Lt. 6th Regt. Cal.
Specy Officer

Adams Express Company

GREAT EASTERN, WESTERN AND SOUTHERN
EXPRESS FORWARDERS.

No. 1.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., Dec 12 1864.

RECEIVED OF

Director of H. O. M.

Our Parcel

Value

Marked

Mrs. T. G. Boyle
Miller

pu

Which it is mutually agreed is to be forwarded to our Agency nearest or most convenient to destination only, and there delivered to other parties to complete the transportation.

It is part of the consideration of this contract, and it is agreed, that the said Express Company ARE FORWARDERS ONLY, and are not to be held liable or responsible for any loss or damage to said property while being conveyed by the CARRIERS to whom the same may be by said Express Company entrusted, or arising from the dangers of Railroads, Ocean or River Navigation, Steam, Fire in Stores, Depots, or in Transit, Leakage, Breakage, or from any cause whatever, unless, in every case, the same be proved to have occurred from the fraud or gross negligence of said Express Company, or their servants; nor in any event shall the holder hereof demand beyond the sum of FIFTY DOLLARS, at which the article forwarded is hereby valued, unless otherwise herein expressed, or unless specially insured by them, and so specified in this receipt, which insurance shall constitute the limit of the liability of the Adams Express Company. And if the same is entrusted or delivered to any other Express Company or Agent (which said Adams Express Company are hereby authorized to do,) such Company or person so selected shall be regarded exclusively as the agent of the shipper or owner, and, as such, alone liable, and the Adams Express Company shall not be, in any event, responsible for the negligence or non-performance of any such Company or person; nor in any event shall said Express Company be liable for any loss or damage, unless the claim therefor shall be presented to them, in writing, at this office, within thirty days after this date, in a statement to which this receipt shall be annexed. All articles of GLASS, or contained in Glass, or any of a fragile nature, will be taken at Shipper's risk only and the Shipper agrees that the Company shall not be held responsible for any injury by breakage or otherwise, nor for damage to goods not properly packed and secured for transportation. It is further agreed that said Company shall not in any event, be liable for any loss, damage or detention caused by the acts of God, Civil or Military Authority, or by Rebellion, Piracy, Insurrection, or Riot, or the dangers incident to a time of war.

For the Company,

FREIGHT,

H. P. Thompson

INSURANCE, \$

RECEIPT

For the Company

Adams Express Co.

Receipt

for one parcel marked

Mrs. V. B. Boyle

Milton

Dec. 12, 1884

Boyle

FOR THE EASTERN, WESTERN AND SOUTHERN

Adams Express Co.

Phila. Pa.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed find
P. O. Money Order. No 78 calling
for Thirty Dollars, payable at
Post Office, Phila., for which
please send me per Express. The
amt in Government coppers. one-het
in 1 cent. & one-het in 2 cent pieces

It is almost impossible for me
to get along in making change for
Postage, as there is scarcely any
Government coppers in this neighborhood

Yours Truly
William Lewis P.M.
West Sonora
Publ. Co., Ohio.
Run by Express
to my
Secy 1/64 E.L.S.

Wm Leary Plm
West. Sonora
Pebble Co Ohio
Dec 12/64
cents

From old,

Jas. M. Cooper

Pittsburg

Pa

Silver,

Dec. 12, 64.

Pittsburgh Dec: 9th 1864

Hon Jas. Pollock

Supt. U. S. Mint

Philad^a:

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of
a box contg. abt. 7000 silver bullion with copper adhering,
such as is produced from the Lake Superior Copper Mining
& as I have sent you heretofore for coinage.

Will you please advise me, if I may send this lot
of Silver & Copper / not mingled but united / as usual
for treatment at the Mint, as I have been informed
that other instructions had been given in regard to
this combination of the two metals.

Very Respectfully

Yours to

James M. Cooper

Dec. 12th 41

Gas. M. Cooper Esq;
Pittsburg Pa,
Sir,

Yours of
the 9th in relation to silver
is rec^d. - If the ore contains
at least two thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) silver,
it can be recovered, if not the
deposit must be rejected, as
the expense of separating is
often greater than the val-
ue of the silver.

Very respectfully
J. P. Pollock
Director.



Shoemakerstown Post Office
Montgomery Co
Pa

Treasurer of Mint Philadelphia

Dear Sir

Please send me
Ten {10} Dollars of Pennys
and Oblige Yours

A J Engle, P. M.
Shoemakerstown

Recd by Express

Dec 12 per
J. H. S.

A. J. Engle P^{ro}
Shoemakerstown Pa
Decr. 12/61
Cents

Henry Guild, President.
C. R. Washburn, Cashier.

Peoples Bank.

Roxbury Dec 10th 1864

Arch. McIntyre Esq. Treasr.

Philad^a.

Dear Sir,

I enclose my check
No. 466, on Metropolitan Bk., New York,
for One Hundred Dollars; for which
please send 50 doll^s. in cent^s to this Bank.
50 " " " " { Eliot Sa-
vings Bank

& oblige

Yours very respectfully

C. R. Washburn
Cashier
M.W.

Recd
on deposit

Dec 12/64
L.H.B.

C. R. Washburn
Cashier " Peoples
Bank Roxbury
Dec 10. 1864

Cents

Jonathan Warren, President.

John L. Orin, Cashier.

First National Bank, GRAFTON MASS, December 12 1864.

To the Treasurer of the U. S. Mint.
Philadelphia

Sir.

Please find enclosed our
Check on 1st. National Bank of Boston for One Hundred Dollars
(\$100) for which please send to our address \$50. in 1 cent pieces
\$50. " 2 " "
\$100.

Very Respectfully Yours

J. Hummings Jr
Cashier

Recd
Dec 12/64
L.H.W.

1st National Bank
Boston Mass
Decr 12. 1864

Cents

Dear U.S. Mint.

Philad⁹⁹

Wilmington Dec 10th 1864

I enclose my Dft. \$210,000
Drexel & Co Pha \$140. for ~~Cents~~ to be sent at your
earliest convenience

Very Yrs. J. G. Stating

100 in Cents
\$140 Legal Tender
Remitted to the
Allans Express
Dec 13/ L.H.S.

\$40 Legal Tender
to be sent to day
Dec 13/ L.S.

Yours the 10th with enclosure
is received
\$100 being the maximum of
a deposit for Cents from
any one individual your name
has been passed the 10th for
the same and the
the receipt of your checks
\$140 returned by
Express today

W. G. Stearns
Weeks bar
Dec 10. 1844
Cents

2800
940
115

1255
2500
7500

12500
2500

10000

3000

6235

17895
4240
22240

U.S. MNT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1864 / DECEMBER 8071

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1864/DECEMBER part 2

Cornellville Dec 10th 1864.

To Treasurer.

United States Mint

Enclosed please find draft for fifty
dollars for which please send ~~one~~
one & two cents pieces

Respectfully &c

Cornellville
Stuber Co
N.Y.

Chas. C. Reynolds
Greewood

Letter to Express
Dec 12/64 J.C.B.

Chas C. Reynolds

Hornellsville

Decr. 10. 1860

Cents

Post Office Copenhagen New York
Dec. 10th 1864

Treasurer U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

Dr Sir

Inclosed I
hand you Twenty five Dollars for
which please send me at your earliest
convenience one and two cents to
the above amt. I am entirely out
of change and in Post Office makes
hard feelings unless I see stamps as
they wish

Respectfully Yours &c
S. A. Devill P.M.

Sent by Express
to day
12/14

L.H.S.

G. A. Scovell Rm.
Copenhagen N.Y.
Decr 10. 1864
Cents

Poughkeepsie 10th Dec 64
Grand US Mint Phil.
Sir

Please send
me fifty (50) dollars in new
cents & oblige

Walter Doughty
Poughkeepsie
Duchess Co
N. Y.

Trust to appear
Dec 12/ G. L. H.

Walter Doughty
Doughty & Keiser
Dutchess Co NY
Decr. 10. 1866
Cents

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department,

New York,

Dec 9. 1864

Sir

I have to acknowledge
the receipt of \$11,529.08 in Silver coins
in payment of Invoice N^o 32

Very Respectfully

Arch^d W^m Intyre Esq

Treasurer U. S. Mint

Philadelphia

John A. Stewart
Treasurer

Schuylkill Pa

Dec 8th 1867
Cash Mr. C. W. Co. Post Treas U.S. -

Enclosed please
find 10.00 for which
please send Ten dollars
in Cents

by Howard & Co Express
to Phoenixville
Chester Co

Pa.

Isaac Price P.M.

Jr B. F. Price assistant
Schuylkill P.O.
Chester Co

Pa.

Recd by Express

to day

Dec 9/

L.H.P.

Isaac Fred Pm
Schuylkill Pa
Decr 8. 1864
Curtis

To the Treasurer of the United
States
Philadelphia Pa
Sir:

Enclosed
you will find Fifty Dollars
MS note for which please send
us at your earliest convenience
Fifty Dollars in cents or else

Yours Truly
Cragin, Page &
Boston Mass Dec 6/64. J. W. Fullerton

Transf^d to the
Express Company
L. B. L.
Dec 8/64

Treasury Department
First Auditor's Office
Decr 8th 1864

Archibald McIntyre Esqr
Treas. U. States Mint
Philadelphia
Sir,

Your account
of Ordinary Expenses for the month
of November 1864. is received,

Very Respectfully

Edmund
Auditor

Rome N.Y. Dec 8 1864
Tras. W. S. Went.
Phila.

Dear Sir
Inclosed find Check \$50.
Please send me,

Prunus 40.

2^c Prunus 10

and much Abbie

Yours

L. L. Lewis

Wm. C. to Express Co

Dec 12/64 L. L. L.

L. J. Lewis

Rome N.Y.

Dec. 8. 1861

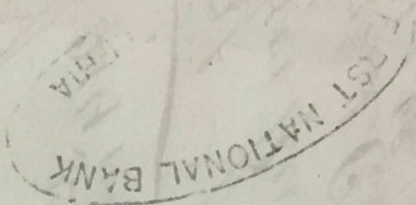
Cents

Pittsburgh December 2nd 1864

\$ 214 $\frac{12}{100}$

Pay to the order of John C. Parry
Two hundred and fourteen $\frac{12}{100}$ Dollars value received
and Charge to account of
To Honble James Pollock }
Director Mint U.S. Phila Penna }

John C. Parry



John C. Parry

PAY FIRST NATIONAL BANK, PHILADELPHIA
OR ORDER.

M. E. Smith Cashier.
FIRST NATIONAL BANK PITTSBURGH, PA.

MORTON MC MICHAEL JR
CASHIER.

PER

J. W. Bradford

Office of

Hendricks Brothers.

New York Dec 7 1864

Direct to
77 & 79 Broad St.
N.Y.

Mr James Pollock
Philadelphia

Dear Sir. I find on arrival
here, that the coffee market is in such an
unsettled state, as to make it impossible to
name a definite price, and will write you
again in a day or two. We trust you secured
your lot at 48 1/2 =

Nominal price is 49 1/2 to 50 =

Respectfully Yours.

Hendricks Brothers

H

From
Aundricks Bros,
N. Y.

Casper

Dec 8th 1864.

Jersey Shore Pa
Dec 7. 1864

Hon A M McIntyre

Att. to U.S.,
Dhs

Enclosed

Please find the Cost Comod-
to Bk 394 $\frac{4}{100}$ Tax due
U.S. by this Bk for November
you to

12/9/64

J J Brandon
Cash-

Well

J. J. Sanderson
Cashier Survey Shore
Bank Dec. 7. 1864

White River Junction Vt
Dec 7th 1864—

Treasurer U.S. Mint

Enclosed please find
Check on Sebanon & H Bank
for fifty dollars. Please
send us —

\$25.00 in one ~~cents~~ cuts
\$25.— Two — "

And ablest yours

Respectfully

A. B. Tickham & Co

Transf^d to the
Allan & Spruce Co
Dec 10/4 L.S.B.

A. B. Tinkham & Co
White River Junction
Vermont
Dec 7. 1864
Cents

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department,

New York,

Decem 6th 1864

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of \$101,946. in gold coins in payment of Invoice No 31

Very Respectfully

Wm M Intyre Esq

Treasurer U. S. Mint

Philadelphia

Wm A Stewart
Treasurer

P.S. I enclose Receipt & Invoice No 32 of five boxes
Dep. Silver, net value \$11529.08 payable in
half dollars.

Tras^r

Original.

No. 32

New York, Dec 6th 1862

Received from the Treasurer of the U. S. Assay Office, for
transportation and delivery to the Treasurer of the U. S. Mint at

Philadelphia Five boxes of Silver Bullion of the net value of

Eleven thousand Five Hundred &
Twenty nine
of 100 Dollars.

\$ 11,529.08

J. P. Abcock

Latimer Bros. & Seymour, Stationers, 21 Nassau Street, N. Y.

For the Adams Express Company.

No. 22

Assayer's Office,
Dec 6. 1864

To the Director of the Mint.

Agreeably to the Act of April 22d, 1864, I have to report to you the following Assays of Ingots of Bronze for Coinage, the trial for Tin being upon each day's work, and the trial for Zinc being upon a combination of the whole.

DATE.	NUMBER OF MELTS.	PER CENT. OF TIN.	PER CENT. OF ZINC.
Nov 1	5003 to 5044	3.1	1.8
2.3.	5045 to 5124	3.0	
4.5.	5125 to 5206	3.1	
7.	5207 to 5226	3.0	
9	5227 to 5268	3.0	1.7
10.11.	5269 to 5339	3.1	
12.14.	5340 to 5401	3.0	
15.16.17.	5402 to 5526	3.1	1.8
18.19.21.	5527 to 5621	3.2	
22 to 28.	5622 to 5789	3.1	1.8

J. P. Eckstein Assayer.

No. _____

Assayer's Office,
Decr 6. 1864

To the Director of the Mint.

Agreeably to the Act of April 22d, 1864, I have to report to you the following Assays of Ingots of Bronze for Coinage, ~~the trial for Tin being upon each day's work, and the trial for Zinc being upon a combination of the whole.~~ *from Waterbury*

DATE.	NUMBER OF MELTS.	PER CENT. OF TIN.	PER CENT. OF ZINC.
<i>Novr 5</i>	<i>_____</i>	<i>3. 3</i>	<i>1. 8</i>
<i>" 10</i>	<i>_____</i>	<i>3. 2</i>	<i>1. 8</i>
<i>" 19</i>	<i>_____</i>	<i>3. 1</i>	<i>1. 9</i>
<i>" 23</i>	<i>_____</i>	<i>3. 2</i>	<i>1. 8</i>
<i>Decr 2</i>	<i>_____</i>	<i>3. 2</i>	<i>2. 0</i>

J. P. Eckerich
Assayer.

Assayer's Report.
 Bronze Coinage
 (Heathbury),
 Dec 6. 1864.

Assayer's Report
 Bronze Coinage
 (Heathbury)

Dec 6. 1864
 Assayer's Report

Assayer's Report

Willsboro Dec 5 1864

Treas. U. S. Mint.

Phil^a

Gentlemen

On 19th Oct. I sent off
for \$160. for Certs you answered on 21st Oct. that \$60.-
would be sent in about two weeks & the \$100. I
would have await my turn - to day I receive
the \$100. but the \$60. has never come to hand
was it ever for me?

Very truly
W. H. Estlin

\$100 was sent Oct 18th
\$60. will be reached in day
sent by Express
Dec 7/64

G. H. S.

Yours for or Bond

The \$100 was sent the two week & the \$60
was to have gone from which is reached
1. day

W. G. Stirling
Melbourne Pa

Dec 6. 1864

Cents

HOLMES, BOOTH & HAYDEN,
WATERBURY,
CT.

Waterbury Dec 3 1864
James Pollock Esq
Dear Sir

We enclose
papers for drawback Taxes
for month of November.
We have you will notice
included the bill or lot
that was omitted in Oct
statement. Hereafter we
shall only include such
lots in any one month
as we get returns from

Please sign and return
the papers if found correct.

Yours truly
Holmes Booth & Hayden

Thos
Holmes, Roach Hyatt
Watbury
Conn

Enclosing certificate
for Nov. 1864,

Dec. 5th / 1864

Copy

Mint of the United States

Philadelphia December 3^d 1864.

To whom it may concern

I James Pollock Director of the United States Mint, do hereby certify that on the 10th day of June A.D. 1864. I as director of the U. S. Mint and for the use of that Institution entered into a contract with Holmes Booth & Haydens of Waterbury Conn. for the manufacturing and delivery to the U. S. Mint for the use of the United States, cent and two cent blanks or planchets in bronze metal (composed of Copper ^{or} Tin & Zinc) in such quantity and at such times as the same might be required & ordered by the Director of the U. S. Mint. That in pursuance of said contract the aforesaid Holmes Booth & Haydens made and delivered to the Treasurer of the Mint of the United States for the use of the United States by my order the amount the amount of blanks or planchets in bronze metal of one and two cent pieces and at the times and at the value as set forth in the following statement, That the same have been actually delivered to the Treasurer of the U. S. Mint who was duly authorized by law to receive the same and were made and delivered under the contract executed prior to the 1st day of July A.D. 1864.

over

Statement of planchets delivered & c in & for the
month of November 1864

Payment	Date	Weight	Rate	Value	Freight	Net
No. 14	Nov. 1864	10.225 lbs.	72 $\frac{1}{2}$	7.413.12	75.75-	7.337.37
" 15		9.751 "	74 $\frac{1}{2}$	7.264.49	75.55-	7.188.94
" 16		6.239 "	74 $\frac{1}{2}$	4.648.05	46.80	4.601.25-

\$ 19.325.66 \$ 198.10 \$ 19.127.56

(signed) Jas Pollock
Director U. S. Mint

Contract,

Stolms Boot & Stryke

Naturby

Com

November 1864

Treasury Department,

First Comptroller's Office,

December 3^d, 1864.

Archibald M. Intype, Esq.,

Treasurer U. S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa,

Sir:

Your a/c of Ordinary Expenses for the quarter ending 30th day of September, 1864, have been adjusted at the Treasury, and a balance found to be due, on that day, from you to the U. S. of \$83.503.29

Balance due U. S. per a/c current	<u>83. 011. 77</u>
Making a difference of	<u>\$ 491. 52</u>

which arises as follows:

Von No 118. abt. of Contingent Expenses - As. E.
Earned for 27 days services as Supervisor @ \$3.
\$81. Suspended until evidence is furnished
that the 5. pct tax (\$1.52) has been collected
and deposited into the U. S. Treasury \$81. 00
Also, Von, No 124 - do - Bill of Trustees of
the Philadelphia Gas Works, for gas consumed
Amount carried forward \$81. 00

Amount brought forward \$81.00
from May 24th to Aug 30th 1864 - 158,400 cubic feet.

The tax upon the same is computed at \$34.32.

(no rate being given), which is neither at the rate
of 20 or 25 cts per M cubic feet. Suspended for
explanation.

410.52

Difference as above explained \$ 491.52

Very Respectfully &c
R. W. Smith
Comptroller.

Phil: December 3. 1864.

Sir.

In reference to the "Porcelain Refining Pots"
I have Eight (8) of them in Bonded Warehouse, N. York.

They cost me each \$87.⁵⁰ (~~cases extra~~), and I would
only ask the cost price, that I may not lose on them.

In consideration of the above being paid, I will give
to the Mint the source whence they come, that the
Mint in future may import them direct, as I do
not intend again to import, unless by order.

If the Government is unwilling to pay \$87.⁵⁰ -
(formerly paying me \$75 - (cases extra) when gold was 170)
I submit to you, to make me an offer which they
will accept, as I am desirous to close them with
as little loss as possible.

Awaiting the favor of your early reply, I remain

Yr obed: servt

Hon. James Pollock

Director of
U. S. Mint

(Wm. Schively.)

Phil:

Paid \$87.⁵⁰ free of all charge - delivd in Phil: - duties to be
remitted to, - JP

C. E. & F. Arnoldi
Gotha

Saxony

Pots to be sent to
Care of

Mrs. A. Müller H^o
Bremen

Dec: 3. 1864

From (Wm H. Schively
and Co.) Philad^a

Price of 8 Porcelain Pots.
with the address of the
manufacturers, Arnoldé
in Saxe Gotha

Infirm from of free
sum it being
granted,
Dec. 21, 64

Dec 21st

H,

Wm H. Scherely Esq.
Sir,

I have to
inform you that the Sec^y of the
Treasury has instructed the
Collector of the Customs at New
York to admit free of duty &
charges the right Peruvian
Refining Oils, imported by you
& now in U. S. Revenue Ware-
house at that place.

Very respectfully
J. P. Folger
Clerk.

Union Transportation
and
Insurance Co.

Receipt for One Bbl. Bone Ash
for Br. Mt. Denver

Dec. 2 1864

Agyle, Washington Co N.Y.
Dec 2^d 1864

Treasurer U.S. Mint
Philadelphia

Dr Sir

Enclosed
find \$50 - for which please send us
one and two cent pieces, about one
third in value of the latter -
Yours resp. Y

A. J. White & Co.

Transf to the
Adams Express
Dec 5/64 R.W.B.

A. J. White & Co
Argyle Washington C
Ny — Dec. 2/64

Leub

(Copy)

Min't of the U. S.
M & R. Dept.
Phil. Dec. 2, 1864,

Dear Sir,

You are aware that our gold bullion fund should bear a proportion to the amount of gold deposited for refining, in order that depositors may be promptly paid, as soon as the value of their deposits are ascertained. Without waiting two or three weeks for the refining & smelting operations necessary to convert the bullion into coin. For some years past this fund has been found sufficient for the purpose, but in consequence of the gradual increase of bullion to be refined from the newly explored mines of the U. S. we have experienced an increasing difficulty in making prompt payments, altho our fund amounts to nearly half a million of dollars. During the present season, this difficulty has increased to such an extent, as to make it manifest that an increase of our bullion fund is necessary, in order to make prompt payments. In order to meet the demand, I am obliged to refine all the gold reported by the Assayer, once or twice each week & often to supply the want of the workmen, sometimes in small lots of \$20,000 or \$30,000 & therefore at a considerably greater cost than if the gold were refined in larger quantities. Though this unrelenting pressure, we cannot cease for making repairs, which are at this

moment imperatively demanded. Lastly
as the Mint Law obliges me to close my
accounts at least once a year, and this
must take place during the present month,
there is no alternative with me or larger bullion
fund in gold, but that of postponing pay-
ments of deposits in gold for several weeks,
during the time absolutely necessary for winding
up my affairs, & gathering together all residues
of gold & silver. Our silver bullion fund
is at present ample, having been in-
creased during the present year.

How far it may be advisable to increase
the gold bullion fund experience may
determine. Up to the year 1854 when the
amt. of silver refined rose to about \$50,000,000
it was found necessary to increase the fund
about \$5 or \$6,000,000, say to to $\frac{1}{8}$ of the amt.
deposited for refining. As usual in all
manufacturing operations, a larger propor-
tionate fund would be required for less amt.
of deposits, say for the present rate of
annual deposits to perhaps $\frac{1}{5}$. It certainly
appears to me that not less than \$300,000 more
are required, by the business of the Mint.

Very truly yours

Cyrus Jacob Booth

Hon J Pollock

M + R

Director of the Mint

I fully concur in the above,
notwithstanding the M + R's best
efforts, there have been times of

late when payments to depositors
have been delayed a day or two for
want of coin.

(Sigs) Arch. R. L. L. L.
Mason

Yo.

Sec. Treasury,

Enclosing copy of
letter from Prof
Booth & Meade
of Mint relative
to increase of
Bullion fund
(Gold)

Dec. 14. 1864.

Will you be pleased to forward from
the President of the United States, the
necessary directions (if the application
is approved by you) and cause the
amount suggested \$300,000 in gold
coin, to be transferred from the Treasury
of the United States to the Treasury
of the Mint in Philadelphia, as a
bullion fund under the said Act
of Congress.

I am Sir,
Very respectfully,
J. A. Pollock
Director

Dec. 14th 4

Hon. H. P. Green,
Sec. Treasury,
Sir,

I have the honor
to enclose communications from the
Master & Referee of the Treasurer of the Mint
of the U. States, in Philadelphia, upon
^{the necessity of}
entering an increase of the Gold Bullion
fund of this institution. I fully concur
in the views presented by these gentle-
men, and deem that an increase of
said fund is not only necessary, but
essential to the rapid and successful
operations of the Mint.

By the Act of Congress of May 23rd 1850
C. 12 (a copy of which is enclosed) the
President of the United States is au-
thorized, with the State of the Treas-
ury will act, to direct transfers
to be made, for the purpose of cre-
ating a bullion fund &c.

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department,

New York,

Dec 2 1864

Sir,

I herewith enclose Express receipt and Invoice N^o 31 of three boxes fine gold bars, of the net value of \$101,946. payable in double eagles.

Very Respectfully
Wm A Stewart

Arch^d W. Ingham Esq
Treasurer U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

Treasurer

1007 7.09
2443 1.35

Original.

No. 31

New York, Dec 2 1864

Received from the Treasurer of the U. S. Assay Office, for
transportation and delivery to the Treasurer of the U. S. Mint at

Philadelphia Three boxes of Gold bullion of the net value of

One Hundred & one thousand, Nine
hundred & forty Six Dollars.

\$ 101,946.

For the Adams Express Company.

To.

Sec Treasury

Monthly count
& examination
of Treasur of the
Unit & Ass^t Treas,
U. S. for November
1864

Dec. 1st 1864

December 1864

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Gen W. P. Henderson

Sec. Treasury.

Sir,

Pursuant to

Order and the regulations of the Department
I made examination at the close of business
yesterday, of the books, accounts & monies on
hand in the office of the Asst. Treasurer of the
U. S. at Phila. and found a balance of
\$ 202,202.00, which corresponds with the
statement of account for that day.

In the foregoing the following items were
counted as cash.

Funds in sealed packages.

Warrant "For Reserve Fund" \$2,339,400.00
Certificates of Treasury Loan to
be re-issued, 536,765.00

Very respectfully

Wm. P. Ballou

Mint of the United States.

[Faint, illegible handwriting, possibly a list or ledger entry, visible through the paper.]

70.

Sec. Treasury,

Requisition for

Quarter ending

Sept. 30th 1864,

Dec. 1st 1864.

Dec. 1st 4.

Am H. P. Frederick

Sr. Treasury

Sir

I have the honor
to request that you will issue your warrant
in favor of the Treasurer of the Unit for the
sum of thirty seven thousand, eight hun-
dred and fifty dollars; (being one quarter
of the appropriations made for the support
of this Institution) for the quarter ending
September 30th 1864. as follows.

Salaries. \$ 6.600

Wages of Workmen

and assistants \$ 31.250

\$ 37.850.00 -

I will cause the sum of Fifty thousand
(\$ 50.000) dollars, to be transferred from our
"current account" to the Assistant Treasurer at
Phila. to meet the warrant, that may be drawn.

Very respectfully
J. P. Pollock
Director

Dec. 1st 4.

Hon W. P. Keenan

Sec. Treasury.

Sir,

The usual
monthly count & examination made at
the close of business yesterday exhibited
the following balances in the hands of the
Treasury of the Mint.

Treasury Account,	63,020. 07
Cent " "	208,882. 25
San Francisco, Br. Mint of	1,310. 96
Denver " " "	1,420. 55
Gold	119,257. 30
Silver,	29,141. 22
	<u>423,039. 55</u>

corresponding with the balance as
stated upon what officers books of
account.

In examination at the same time
of the general condition of the

Miss. gave satisfactory evidence that
the affairs of the Institution were
conducted with care & fidelity.

Very Respectfully
J. M. Pollock
Director

J. Y. SCAMMON, President.

BENJ. V. PAGE, Vice President.

CARL F. W. JUNGE, Cashier.

The Mechanics National Bank of Chicago.

Chicago, Ill.,

Dec 1 1864

To
The Treasurer of U.S. Mint
Philadelphia Pa

Yr
I enclose herein
my draft on Philada Natl Pa R.
\$50 for which please send me
as early as possible, one cent coin
to help
Yr respectfully

Carl F. W. Junge Cashier
C. F. W. Junge

Recd
Dec 7 64
L.H.

Mechanics National
Bank of Chicago

Dec. 1, 1864

Cash

Supt Br Mint
San Francisco

To,

Sec. Treasury,

Ask if warrants
have been issued
for amt. of last re-
quisitions of Supts
Br. Mints Denver & Ft
& A. O. New York,

Dec. 1st 1864.

Dec. 1st

4.

Hon. W. P. Fessenden,

Sec. Treasury.

Sir,

I have to request
that you will inform me whether warrants
have been issued for the following requi-
sitions.

That of the Subt of the Br. Mint San Fran-
of Oct 21st 1864, forwarded Nov. 16th -

That of the Subt of the Br. Mint Denver
of Oct. 24th 1864, forwarded Nov 15th -

That of the Subt of the Assay Office N. Y
forwarded Nov 29th 1864.

Very respectfully

J. P. Colwell
Director.

P.O. Waterford Saratoga Co ny

Mr A McIntyre Sir

Please find enclosed
Twenty Five Dollars for which you will
send its equivalent in Pennies

Very Respectfully

J Hartman

Post Master

Recd by E. Hall
to adv.
Dec 1st 1864

J. Hammond Pm
Watford Pm
Taratoga Co. N.Y.
Dec. 1864
Cub

Ferry Wyoming Co. N.Y

James Pollock Esq
Director U.S. Mint
H. C. C. C.

I am sorry to
be obliged to write you
again in regard to cents
ordered March 26 which were
promised in 12 weeks

I waited 12 or 13 weeks and
no returns Writing you, you
wanted four weeks more
and 5 or 6 weeks have elap-
sed & no pennies yet -

I am more anxious
in regard to them on acc-
ount of 2 or 3 of my neighbors
having put in a portion
of the money & they keep
punching me up all the
time & it places me

in rather unpleasant
circumstances now
please forward them
without delay and
very much oblige

Sehr sehr Respektvoll

C. P. Andrews

New York

Ward and County

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Cent.

C. P. Andrews
New York

*Statement of Deposits Received at the Mint of the United States
during the Month of December 1864*

GOLD.

From Assay Office, N. Y.		\$	258 831 74
U. S. Bullion.			
Virginia,	<i>Colorado</i>		22 736 58
N. Carolina,	<i>Idaho</i>		213 639 54
S. Carolina,	<i>Montana</i>		124 729 18
Georgia,	<i>no def a cert an</i>		5028 74
Alabama,	<i>Br Mint Colorado</i>		5068 30
Tennessee,	<i>Nevada</i>		430 12
Oregon,	<i>Georgia</i>		393 53
Kanzas,			
Arizonia,			
California.			1309 89
U. S. Coins, (O. S.)			280 00
Parted from silver,			530 43
Jewelers' bars, &c.,			18 826 53
Foreign bullion,			17 214 54
Foreign coins,			936 60
Total Gold,		\$	669 955 72

SILVER.

From Assay Office, N. Y.		\$	11 529 81
U. S. Bullion.			
Lake Superior,	<i>Nevada</i>		952 93
N. Carolina,	<i>California</i>		420 47
Parted from gold,			5250 18
Jewelers' bars, plate, &c.,			3 140 27
U. S. coins, (former issue,)			4120 93
Foreign bullion,			290 00
Foreign coins,			1770 60
Fractions Spanish & Mexican dollar for exchange for cents,			
Do.	do	do	purchased,
Total Silver,		\$	300 861 9
Cents of old issue for exchange for new cent,		\$	
Total Deposits,		\$	700 041 91

U. S. Mint,
Report for
December 1864

Waterbury Dec 29 1864

Prof J B Proth

Dear Sir

We have shipped you
to day ten casks one cent blanks & one keg
two cents the last being the remaining two cent
stock we had on hand after going wholly on
to the one cent all marked U S State Mint
as before & below please find Memorandum of
weight - Lot # 23

Very Respectfully Yours H
Holmes, J B Proth Hayden
per J Holmes

Memorandum of One & two cent blanks Lot # 23
Shipped U S State Mint by Holmes, Proth & Hayden Dec 29 1864
10 casks One cent 1 blanks by own weight 6273^{lbs}
1 Keg Two " " " 306

Freight \$51.91 Copper 49³/₄

6579^{lbs}

6579 $\frac{1}{2}$
74¹/₂

3289

263.16

4605.3

\$4901.35

51.91

\$4849.44

6579

13158

92106

39474

3289

4901.35

Waterbury Dec 29 1864

Prof J. B. Proth

Dear Sir

We have shipped you
to day ten casks One cent Blanks & one Keg
two cents the last being the remaining two cent
stock we had on hand after going wholly on
to the One cents all marked N State Mint
as before & below please find Memorandum of
weight - Lot #23

Very Respectfully Yours H
Holmes North Hattayden
per J Holmes

Memorandum of One & two cent Blanks Lot #23
Shipped N State Mint by Holmes North Hattayden Dec 29 1864
10 casks One cent 1 Blanks by our weight 6273^{lbs}
1 Keg Two " " " 306
6579^{lbs}

Freight \$51.91 Copper 49^½

6579 $\frac{1}{2}$
74 $\frac{1}{2}$

3289

263.16

4605.3

\$ 4901.35

51.91

\$ 4849.44

6579

13158

92106

39474

3289

4901.35

December . 1864

Correspondence of the
Melter & Refiner

Dec. 30th 11

Dear Sirs

Enclosed please find Check
for four thousand four hundred and
eighty two $\frac{38}{100}$ Dollars, being net return
for Cent Blanks N^o 20.

Lot N^o 22 is reported correct in
weight & assay, & Copper is quoted at
48 $\frac{3}{4}$. Hence the acct. will be:

5526 lbs. Cent Blanks @ 73 $\frac{3}{4}$	= \$ 4075.42
Less freight &c	42.63
Net Value	<u>\$ 4032.79</u>

Samples received of Lot N^o 23. No
bill has been yet recd for N^o 21.

Respectfully yours
J. C. Booth

Wm. Holmes, Booth & Hayden
Waterbury
Conn.

Waterbury Dec 22 1864

Prof James C Booth

Dear Sir

We enclose
bill & duplicate of Lot
to 20 Blanks receipted

We note your wishes
as regards number of
lots and will endeavor
to comply

Yours Truly
Holmes Booth & Hayden
for printers

Watbury Dec 21 1864

Prof J C Booth

Dear Sir

I have please find
Memorandum of lot blanks shipped the N State
Print to day morning as usual —

Very Respectfully Yours

Hoburns Booth & Hayden

per J Hoburns

Memorandum Print Casks One & Two cent Blanks
Shipped N State Print by Hoburns Booth & Hayden
Dec 21 1864

6 Casks Two cents

3684^{cts}

3 " One "

1842

5526^{cts}

N^o 22

Freight \$42.63

Copper 48³/₄

5526
73³/₄

2763
1381
16578
38682

4075.42
42.63

4032.79

Watbury Dec 16 1864

Prof J C Booth

Dear Sir

Yours of the 14 covering
CHK for \$4226⁰⁰ for lot blanks #17 is at hand
for which please accept our thanks &

We receive the Lincennes
order in regard to future shipments - The lot now
in hand for the next week is so far advanced that
we cant without the cost of permitting make the
alterations but after that lot will send all One
Cent. & Do You find the blanks You are now
receiving free from the faults to which You called
our attention some time since?

Very Respectfully Yours &c
Holmes Booth S^t day Aug
for J Holmes

Waterbury Dec 17th 1864
Prof James C. Booth

Dear Sir

We are in receipt
of Check Ninetyone hundred seventy
six ⁴⁰/₁₀₀ dollars in payment of
Lots 18 & 19

Yours Truly
Holmes Booth & Mayden
E. D. Giggles has

\$9176 ⁴⁰/₁₀₀

Waterbury Dec 8 1864

Prof J C Booth

Dear Sir

Your favor of the 7th inst
with statement for lot blanks # 17 is at hand, & no other
bills. — The statement for lot # 18 which you speak of
having forwarded a few days since has not come to hand,
I say probably miscarried. — Below are your
Memorandum of lot shipped Yesterday — We will
in future send certificates written out to save encroachment
on the Directors time —

Very Respectfully Yours

Wolman Booth & Hayden

per J Wolman

Memorandum of Nine Casks One & Two cent Blanks shipped
N State, Print by Wolman Booth & Hayden Dec 7 1864

6 Casks Two ct blanks 4047 ³/₄ ^{cts}

3 " One " " 1969 ³/₄

No 20

Yrs \$45.41

Copper 50 ¹/₄

6017 ¹/₂ ^{cts}

$$\begin{array}{r} 6017 @ 75\frac{1}{4} = \$4527.79 \\ \quad \quad \quad 45.41 \\ \hline \$4482.38 \end{array}$$

Watbury Dec 15 1864

Prof J B Booth

Dear Sir

We have shipped for
to day eleven casks blank Martha as usual
as per Memorandum below

Respectfully Yours H

Hobbs & Booth Haydens.

per J Holmes

Memorandum of 11 casks one & two cent blanks
shipped N York, sent by Hobbs & Booth Haydens, Dec 15 1864

7 casks two cents

4605^{cts}

4 " one "

2651^{cts}/₂

7256^{cts}/₂

Correct

N^o 21. Copper = 49^{cts}/₄ freight 55.21

~~7256
49^{cts}/₄
3628
1814
65304
29024
3609.86~~

~~7256
49^{cts}/₄
3628
1814
50792
355549
3609.86~~

7256.
74^{cts}/₄
3628
1814
29024
50792
5423.86
55.21
5368.65

Wilmington Dec 5 1864

Prof I C Booth

Dear Sir

Your favor of Dec 1st
with statement for lot blank #17 is at hand —
As the figures stand there is an error in the extension
but as you report the failure of one of the casks on
the road, the amount extended may be right after
deducting the loss — We notice you report some loss
but in making up the statement you used the figures
representing the same number of pounds as when they
left here — We found your statements to use as vouchers
in making our return to the U States office for
making up our tax & as he is very particular in case
of any discrepancy in return the statement for
correction in order that the Directors Certificate to the
monthly amt of pounds & our books & returns to the
office may all agree — In regard to the failure of
the cask we have but one Cooper in our place & he
on a scale so small it is often difficult to get casks
made of suitable stuff, but we will try to send
only such as shall carry their contents safely through
We are trying to remedy the
defect, in the blanks for calling to our
attention

Very Respectfully Yours
Hobbs Booth & Hargens
for I Hobbs

New City Dec. 5th 64
James C. Brooks Esq;
Dear Sir

If convenient
please forward this Am't.
of our Bill (\$31.10) for
encibles & greatly oblige
us. We are anxious to
know if they are working
well & suit you. Our Pats-
are giving general satisfac-
tion here & elsewhere -
Let us hear from you
as soon as possible -

Yours Respect-

J. W. Hammond & Co.
J. C. Edwards

Conry City Dec 8th / 64 -

Mr. Brook;

Dear Sir

Your of the 6th inst is at hand. - Inclosed find 2 Bills, (Original & Duplicate) which if you will draw proceeds & deposit in your name, and sign us your check for this amt. will greatly oblige us -

We are now manufacturing larger sizes of Koto; & can accommodate you with any size from 180 to 1000.

They are made a great deal better than the ones you had, as we had only hand Power then, while now we have Steam. It also Bakes them considerably harder.

Yours Respect. W. Himmeler
J. C. Edwards

Watertown Dec 1 1864

Prof S C Booth

Dear Sir

We to day ship you
Nine cash, One & two cent blanks as per Memorandum
below marked as before

Respectfully Yours

Hobbs, & Booth & Hayden

per J Hobbs

Memorandum of cash, One & two cent blanks shipped
At Stans, Mint by Hobbs, & Booth & Hayden, Dec 1 1864
6 Cash, Two cents by own weight 4134 ^{ths}/₄
3 " One " " " " 2049
6,183 ^{ths}/₄

No. 19. Trt. #45.27

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department,

New York,

Nov 30 1864

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of \$87,022.22 in payment of balance due on Invoice N^o 30.

Very Respectfully

Arch^d W^m Intyre Esq

Treasurer U.S. Mint

Philadelphia

Wm A Stewart
Treasurer

New York Mar 30. 1864

To the treasury of the United
States in Philadelpia

Sir: Enclosed you find fifty
dollars, which we have the
pleasure to send it to you,
to get in exchange United
States notes for it.

Respectfully yours

J & R Ettinger
270 Bowery

Trans to the
Adams Express
by L. B. B.

A. S. R. Ettinger
270 Powers, N.Y.
Nov. 30, 1864
Ents

Dec. 10th 1861

Am. F. C. Spencer,
Ypsilanti M. S.
Mi.

I have to
acknowledge receipt this morning
of your draft on West. Union for \$100.
The same amount in cents will be
forwarded to you to day by Express.

Very Respectfully

J. H. Hunt
Director

Treasury of the United States,

CASH DIVISION,

Washington, Nov 30, 1864.

Sir.

For the enclosed Draft
on Asst Treas Phila of \$1000. please
send same amount in cents.

Respectfully

E. A. Munn
Chas. D. G.

James Pollock Esq.
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia
Pa.

From Ho.

Am. F. E. Spurr

Tras. N. S.

\$100 in auto

order,

Dec. 1st / 64.

Division of the General Survey

CHARGE DIVISION

Charged

1864

Statement of Deposits and Coinage

At the Mint of the United States, Philadelphia.

During the Month of *December*

186*7*

Gold Deposits.

From all sources,	Value. \$
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Silver Deposits.

Including Silver Purchases,	\$
Spanish and Mexican fractions of a dollar received in exchange for new cents,	}
Total Silver,	\$
Copper cents (O. S.) received in exchange for new cents,	\$
Total Deposits,	\$

Coinage Executed.

GOLD.

Denomination.	No. of Pieces.	Value.	
Double Eagles,	37.435-	\$	749.100
Eagles,			
Half Eagles,	3.920		19.600
Three Dollars,	2.190		6.570
Quarter Eagles,	2.400		6.000
Dollars,	3.500		3.500
Total,	49.465-	\$	784.770

SILVER.

Dollars,			
Half Dollars,	65.400		32.700
Quarter Dollars,	15.200		3.800
Dimes,			
Half Dimes,			
Three Cent Pieces,			
Total,	80.600	\$	36.500

COPPER.

One Cents,	6.640.000	\$	66.400
Two " Total,	4.030.000	\$	80.600
	10.670.000		\$ 147.000

RECAPITULATION.

Gold Coinage,	49.465-	\$	784.770
Silver "	80.600		36.500
Copper "	10.670.000		147.000
Total No. of Pieces,	10.800,065-	Total Value, \$	968.270

Mint of the United States,

Philadelphia,

186

Director.

Statement of Deposits and Coinage

At the Mint of the United States, Philadelphia.

During the Month of *November* 186*4*

Gold Deposits.

From all sources,	Value. \$
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Silver Deposits.

Including Silver Purchases,	\$
Spanish and Mexican fractions of a dollar received in exchange for new cents,	}
Total Silver,	
Copper cents (O. S.) received in exchange for new cents,	\$
Total Deposits,	\$

Coinage Executed.

GOLD.

Denomination.	No. of Pieces.	Value.
Double Eagles,	<u>44.270</u>	\$ 885.400
Eagles,		
Half Eagles,		
Three Dollars,		
Quarter Eagles,		
Dollars,		
Total,		\$

SILVER.

Dollars,		
Half Dollars,	<u>86.000</u>	\$ 43.000
Quarter Dollars,		
Dimes,		
Half Dimes,		
Three Cent Pieces,		
Total,		\$

COPPER.

One Cents,	5610.000	\$ 56.100
Two " Total,	3.145.000	\$ 62.900
	8.755.000	\$ 119.000

RECAPITULATION.

Gold Coinage,	44.270	\$ 885.400
Silver "	86.000	43.000
Copper "	8.755.000	119.000
Total No. of Pieces,	<u>8,885,270</u>	Total Value, \$ 1,047,400

Mint of the United States,
Philadelphia,

186

Director.

Total Coinage for the year 1864

Statement of Deposits and Coinage

At the Mint of the United States, Philadelphia.

During the Month of *December*

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Gold Deposits.

From all sources, Value.
\$

Silver Deposits.

Including Silver Purchases, \$

Spanish and Mexican fractions of a dollar received }
in exchange for new cents, }

Total Silver, \$

Copper cents (O. S.) received in exchange for new cents, \$

Total Deposits, \$

Coinage Executed.

GOLD.

Denomination.	No. of Pieces.	Value.
Double Eagles,	<i>204.285</i>	\$ <i>4085.700</i>
Eagles,	<i>3.580</i>	<i>35.800</i>
Half Eagles,	<i>4220</i>	<i>21.100</i>
Three Dollars,	<i>2.680</i>	<i>8.040</i>
Quarter Eagles,	<i>2.874</i>	<i>7.185</i>
Dollars,	<i>5.950</i>	<i>5.950</i>
Total,	<i>223.589</i>	\$ <i>4163.775</i>

SILVER.

Dollars,	<i>31.170</i>	\$ <i>31.170</i>
Half Dollars,	<i>380.570</i>	<i>190.285</i>
Quarter Dollars,	<i>94.070</i>	<i>23.517.50</i>
Dimes,	<i>11.470</i>	<i>1.147.00</i>
Half Dimes,	<i>48.470</i>	<i>2.423.50</i>
Three Cent Pieces,	<i>12.470</i>	<i>374.10</i>
Total,	<i>578.220</i>	\$ <i>248.917.10</i>

COPPER.

<i>One</i> Cents,	<i>57.795.000</i>	\$ <i>577.950</i>
<i>Two</i> " Total,	<i>19.822.500</i>	\$ <i>396.450</i>
	<i>71.617.500</i>	<i>914.400</i>

RECAPITULATION.

Gold Coinage,	<i>223.589</i>	\$ <i>4163.775</i>
Silver "	<i>578.220</i>	<i>248.917.10</i>
Copper "	<i>71.617.500</i>	<i>914.400</i>
Total No. of Pieces,	<i>72.419.309</i>	Total Value, \$ <i>5.329.092.10</i>

Mint of the United States,

Philadelphia,

186

Director.

Direction of
Coining & Refining
Brussels
No 1871

Translation

Brussels June 2d 1864

Mr ~~de~~ Montiflore Livi
Gurin

Sir;

You request from me
information concerning the Nickel money of Belgium - I
hasten to forward it

As to the nature of the metal composed of 75 %
Copper & 25 % Nickel, it is harder than any other alloy now
employed for coin, but this hardness which I had feared
theoretically on account of difficulty in working does not
present all the inconveniences which were apparently to
be feared; this metal melts, rolls and strikes nearly the same
as the alloys of copper with zinc or tin. I ought to
remark however that the Belgian alloy does offer at first
serious difficulties in working, but which may be overcome,
as I have abundantly proved in ^{our} ~~the~~ Belgian coinage.

These same difficulties are, it is well to remark,
a very effectual guaranty against counterfeiting, and
the fact is that we have not seen in Belgium but a few
very imperfect attempts at false nickel money - attempts
so futile that the first specimens were seized at their entrance
into circulation.

The metal has a peculiar color, which it is
difficult, if not impossible, to imitate without making
either a whiter or a softer metal, two characteristic
and easily recognizable signs of false money. A still
further guaranty is that this metal being always very hard
and very regularly so, it takes the impression very
sharply and must preserve it infinitely longer than
other metals.

To sum up and to confirm my personal

opinion above expressed. In respect to the difficulties of working and of security against counterfeiting - in respect, that is to say, of the public confidence which this Nickel money has inspired in Belgium, I can inform you that since its creation it has been necessary to issue about twice as much of it as the quantity of copper money which it replaces and which has been demonetized.

Receive, I beg you, my very sincere salutations

Le Directeur

J Allard

JOSEPH WHARTON,

PROPRIETOR,

Box 2786 Philadelphia, Penn.

Camden Nickel Works,

Camden, N. J. Dec 19 1864

My James C Bord
Dear Sir

In reckoning the cost of the
3 ct pieces today we overlooked the fact that
each coin is to be issued for 3 cents, not for 1 cent

The calculation taken at full prices will
stand about thus

55 lb. nickel @ \$3.50	192.50	
165 " copper " 50	<u>82.50</u>	<u>275</u>
		281

Coining 63,000 pieces of 24 gr. say 195 -

Total nominal value \$1890. - ; total cost \$450. -

You will notice that I have allowed nearly 2 1/2
for waste of metal in coining. The cost of the
manufacture I have estimated at what seems to me
high enough, but that is subject to your correction

It would seem that these coins can readily be
made for 1/4 their nominal value

Very Respectfully
Joseph Wharton

P. S. I enclose translation of letter from the
Director of the Belgian Mint for the purpose of
yourself and Gen. Pollock

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1844 / DECEMBER

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U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1865 / JANUARY

Watertown Jan 30th 1865

Prof J C Booth

Dear Sir

We are in receipt of
check Four thousand three hundred
eighty one ³⁷/₁₀₀ dollars in payment
of Lot No 25 -

We enclose bill & duplicate
of Lot No 26

Yours Truly
Holmes, Booth & Hayden
C. D. Briggs Treas

January 1865

Correspondence of the
Melter & Refiner

Jan 8. 27th 5

Dear Sirs.

I herewith enclose my check for
four thousand three hundred and eighty one
and $\frac{1}{10}$ Dollars being proceeds for lot Cent
Blanks N^o 25.

Lot N^o 26 was received yesterday & is
this morning reported correct in assay
& weight. The price of Copper is $45\frac{1}{2}$.
Hence the acct. for lot 26 will be ..

6185 lbs. Cent Blanks N^o 26 @ $70\frac{1}{2}$ = \$4360.42
Less freight, &c. 46.28

\$4314.14

Assay of 26. Time 2.5 + Tim 3.2.

Samples of 27 Received & under Assay.

Respectfully Yours

J. H. Booth

Messrs. Holmes, Booth & Hayden
Waterbury
Conn.

Waterbury Jan 26 1865

Prof J B Booth

Dear Sir

Below please find
Memorandum of Cent blanks Lot # 27 shipped
You this day marking as usual Eleven casks—

Respectfully Yours

Holmes Booth Haydens

per J Holmes

Memorandum of 11 casks cent Blanks
Shipped U S State Mint by Holmes Booth
& Haydens Jan 26 1865 Lot # 27
11 Casks One Cent Blanks by our weight 6481^{lbs}

Freight - \$51.25

Copper 46

Blanks 71

6481
71
6481
45367
460151
51.25
4550.26

6481
35
12962
90334
453670
6481
460151

$\frac{50}{14}$ $\frac{5}{7}$

Waterbury Jan 24 1865

Prof J C Booth

Dear Sir

Enclosed please
send 103 Sample Cent Metal and for
assay representing Lot # 27 the blanks
from which will be sent in a day or
two

Respectfully Yours
Holmes Booth Hayden
per J Holmes

Prof J. C. Booth

Dr

Your check for 4431 ³²/₁₀₀
dollars in payment of Lot no 24
is received

Yours Truly
Holmes Booth Hayden
E. D. Gignys Tru

Jan 24/65

Jan. 21st 5

Dear Sirs

Enclosed please find Check for
Four thousand four hundred and thirty one
 $\frac{32}{100}$ Dollars, being net return of Lot 24.
Lot No 25 is just reported correct in
assay and weight; & the price of copper is
48 $\frac{1}{2}$. Hence the acct. will be:

6054 lbs. blanks, No 25. @ 73 $\frac{1}{2}$ = \$ 4426.99
Less Freight, &c 45.62

Net amount \$ 4381.37

Lot No 26 under assay.

Respectfully yours

Jas C Booth

Mess. Holmes, Booth & Hayden
Waterbury
Connecticut

Waterbury Jan 20 1865

Prof J B Booth

Dear Sir

Below please find

Memorandum of ten casks cent blanks
shipped to day & marking as usual
Lot # 26

Respectfully Yours

Holmes Booth Haydens
per J Holmes

Memorandum of ten casks cent cent blanks
shipped N State Mint by Holmes Booth Haydens
Jan 20th 1865 Lot # 26
10 casks Cent Blanks by our weight 6185^{lbs}

Copper 45½ Alloy Sn 3.2 Zn 2.1

$\frac{5}{2}$ ²⁵

Correct

6185 @
70½
3092
432950
4360.42

6185
43295
86590
432950
3092
4360.42
46.28
4314.14

freight \$46.28

Watbury Jan 16th 1865

Prof J C Booth

Dear Sir

We are in receipt of Check Ten Thousand two hundred Eighteen ⁰⁹/₁₀₀ Dollars in payment of bills of L^{ts} No 21 & 23

Yours Truly

Holmes Booth, Agent

for Y^{rs}

Jan. 14th

5

Dear Sirs

I enclosed yesterday a check
for Ten thousand two hundred and eighteen
 $\frac{09}{100}$ Dollars. but net amount due for
Nos 21 & 23 Cent Blanks.

No 24 is just sorted correct in weight
& fineness. & the price of copper is $49\frac{1}{2}$ cts.
The bill for No 24 Cent Blanks will be:

6031 lbs. Cent Blanks @ $74\frac{1}{4}$ cts. = \$4478.02

Less Freight, &c.

46.70

Net. Value. \$4431.32

Samples of 25 received & being assayed.

Respectfully yours
Jas C Booth

Mr. Holmes, Booth & Haydens

Waterbury

Conn.

Watbury Jan 12 1865

Prof J C Booth

Dear Sir

Please find
Memorandum of Blanks Lot #25 Shipped to
day & marked as usual

Respectfully Yours

Holmes Booth Hayward
per J Holmes

Memorandum of ten cases Cent Blanks Shipped
N State Mint by Holmes Booth Hayward Jan 12 1865
10 cases One Cent Blanks Lot #25 6054¹⁰⁰

Freight \$45.62 Copper 48 $\frac{1}{2}$ Blanks 73 $\frac{1}{8}$

6054
73 $\frac{1}{8}$
756 $\frac{3}{4}$
18162
42378
4426.99
45.62
\$4381.37

KOLMES, BOOTH & HAYDEN,
WATERBURY,

CT.

Waterbury Jan 8th 1863
Prof James C Booth

Dear Sir

We enclose
duplicate bills of Lots 21 + 23

we note your remarks
relative to filling up
petitions for draw back

They are to-day in
receipt of your check
Eighty five hundred fifteen
"thousand dollars in payment
of lots 21 + 22 for which
please accept our thanks

They have not been
discontinued by
delay of your remittance

Yours Truly
Kolmes Booth & Hayden
J. P. Noyes

Dear Sirs,

Jan. 6th 5

Enclosed please find Check for Eight thousand five hundred & fifteen $\frac{17}{100}$ Dollars in full for pur^t of lots Cent-Blanks, N^o 20 & 22. I was quite surprised to find that check for 20 had not been ~~received~~, ~~regret~~ that the delay ^{has} occurred, through neglect to execute my intention. By way of amends I urged the passage of 22 immediately. I certainly sent the acct. for 21, & do not know how it miscarried. Lot N^o 21 was reported correct in assay & weight, the price then was $49\frac{3}{4}$ cts. for Copper. Your acct. will therefore be for Cent Blanks N^o 21:

7256 U.S. Cent Blanks @ $74\frac{3}{4}$ = \$ 5423.86

Less Freight, &c

55.21

net value

\$ 5368.65

I hope to send form of bill for 23 tomorrow.

Respectfully yours

Jas C Booth

Mrs Holmes, Booth & Haydens

Waterbury

Connecticut

(over)

The assay of lot N^o 23 having been just reported correct, & the weight being also correct, I send the acct. to be made out in this letter. Price of Copper = 49 $\frac{1}{2}$ cts.

Lot 23. 6579 lbs Cut Blanks @ 74 $\frac{1}{2}$ = \$ 4903.35
Sep freight, &c. 31.91
\$ 4871.44

Lot 24 is being assayed.

Respectfully yours
J^{as} C Booth

Sup. Holmes, Booth & Haydens
Waterbury
Connecticut

Watctury Jan 5 1865

Prof I b Booth

Dear Sir

Belon please find

Memorandum of ten cash, blank, shipped you
a day marking as usual Lot #24

Respectfully Yours

Hobbs Booth Hayden

per I Hobbs

Memorandum of 10 cash, blank, shipped U State,
sent by Hobbs Booth & Hayden Jan 5 1865

10 cash 6m cent blank by own weight 6031^{us}

Lot #24

Copper 49 $\frac{1}{4}$ Blanks = 74 $\frac{1}{4}$ Tot. \$46.70

6031	6031
<u>74$\frac{1}{4}$</u>	<u>37</u>
1509 $\frac{75}{100}$	42217
24124	<u>18093</u>
42217	223147
4478.02 $\frac{75}{100}$	446294
46.70	<u>150775</u>
\$ 4431.32	4478.02 $\frac{75}{100}$

HOLMES, BOOTH & HAYDEN,
WATERBURY,
CT.

Waterbury Jan'y 3 1864
Prof James C. South
Dear Sir

We enclose
certificates for drawback
for ore & we have
presumed to pencil
the names on one
of these certificates
showing who should
sign — we however
may be wrong in
our guess.

Yours Truly
Holmes Booth & Hayden
E. D. Gifford Treas

HOLMES, BOOTH & HAYDENS,

WATERBURY,

CT.

Waterbury June 3 1864

Prof J C Booth

Dear Sir

We enclose bills
for Lot No 22 receipted
you speak in your
letter of Dec 30th of
enclosing Check \$4482.³⁸
being for lot No 20

this check was not
found when we opened
the letter did you not
neglect to enclose it

you also speak
in same letter of
not having received
a bill of Lot No 21
we do not think
you have ever reported
on the lot if so we
cannot find it

Treasury Department.

January 4th 1863.

Sir;

The following gentlemen have been designated by the President as Commissioners for the annual assay at the mint on the 13th. proximo, and this day duly notified of the same.

Prof. Joseph Henry, Washington D.C.

Prof. John Torrey, New York.

Prof. Henry Morton, Philadelphia

Prof. John F. Hrazier "

Mr. Cary Lea Esq. "

Prof. J. P. Cooke Cambridge.

Pres. John Maclean, Princeton.

Henry Davenport Esq: Boston.

I am,

Very Respectfully

Your Obt. Serv^t.

W. P. Fiske

Secretary of the Treasury.

To

James Pollock Esq:

Director of Mint,

Philadelphia Pa.

From,

Sec. Treasury,

Appointing Special
Assay Commissioners
for Annual Assay
Feb 13th 1865-

Jan 5th / 65,

No 40 Broad St
New York Jan 24th 1861

Hon James Pollock
Director &c &c
Dear Sir

Enclosed please
find five dollars "\$5," to pay for the Assay
of the Silver Ore, from the Huron Silver Lode,
Montana. I am very much pleased with
the result of the same.

Yours Truly
Chas. J. Smyler

Chas P. Schuyler
New York

Assay of Silver ore
\$5 handed to Mr
Dubois July 25/15
to pay to Harsany.

JP

Nathan Trotter & Co.
Importers of Tin plates, Metals &c.
No. 36. North Front Street.

Philadelphia June 2nd 1865

Mr James Pollock
Director

Sir.

We enclose
Invoice for Twenty
Casks Coffee, now
stored with your
other lots and submit
to your order

Very Resp

Nathan H

From

Nathan Fulton & Co

20 casks of copper

July 24. 1865.

Banking House of A. H. Brown & Co.

SUCCESSORS TO SOLOMON STURGES & CO.

Zanesville, O., January 24 1865.

J. R. Snowden Supert. d. Mint
Dear Sir,

Enclosed find draft
on 17th National Bank Phila. for fifty doll.
for ^{our} ~~our~~ ^{cents} ~~Coppers~~ — $\frac{1}{2}$ in 2 cent pieces will answer
our purpose.

Respectfully yours
A. H. Brown & Co.

Draft returned, as it is as made payable
to J. R. Snowden Supr of Mint, Jan 28th /65.
WBS

A H Brown & Co

Zanesville

Ohio

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RECEIVED BY THE COLLECTOR GENERAL & CO.

Zanesville, O. January 24 1862.

Treasury Department.

January 20th 1865.

Sir:

Your letter of 28th November 1864, enclosing a list of employes &c. is received.

The list referred to does not appear to include all the clerks and other employes in the offices of the Director, Treasurer, Melter and Refiner, Chief Coiner and Engraver of the Mint at Philadelphia.

You will please furnish the Department with such a list, stating when and by what authority employed, amounts of salaries, or per diem paid to each, and from what appropriations they are severally paid. You will also state the duties performed by each, and in what department employed. Hereafter you will notify this Department of any changes in the clerks and other employes in the various offices above referred to, other than those usually nominated to and appointed by the Secretary.

I am, very respectfully,

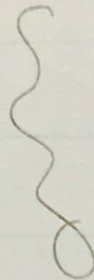
L. K. Hanley

Actg. Asst. Secretary of the Treasury

James Pollock Esq,

Director of the Mint,

Philadelphia Pa.



From sto.

Act. Dist.

Sec. Treasury

Names of employees
re. asked for. sent,
copy in book, pre-
served for reference,

Jan 25. 1865

A.E.L.

Treasury of the United States,

CASH DIVISION,

Washington,

Jan. 19, 1865.

Sir.

I have received one
and two cent pieces as advised in
your favor of the 16th inst. Will relieve
the pressure for them in a few days by issuing
three cent currency —

Respectfully

E. A. Munn

Treasurer

U. S.

James Pollock Esq.
Director of the Fair
Philadelphia
Pa.

From

J. E. Sumner

Mass. U. S.

Ack. recpt of accts,

Jan 20th 1865

OVER DIVISION

Washington

Yo.

Sec. Treasury

Ask for increase
of salaries for
officers of Mint,

Jan 19. 63

Jan 19th 5

Rev W. P. Fessenden
Sec. Treas.
S.

On the 14th of May
1864 I enclosed an application from the Ex-
ecutive Officers of the Institution, by your
predecessor asking his concurrence and reco-
mmendation in procuring from Congress an
increase of compensation. This he did in
a letter of 20th May 1864. to the Chairman
of the Com. of Ways & Means. No action
was taken by Congress upon the subject, &
I now respectfully call your attention to it.
Most of us are entirely dependent upon our
salaries; and these remaining the same,
while the price of all the necessaries of
life has so greatly advanced, we cannot
with all the economy that can be used,
meet the current & ordinary expenses of
living. The salaries in this Institution
have always been below those of all other

National Institutions of equal
responsibility. The Director's salary is \$3,500
including travelling expenses. Directing
there & the National tax on salaries; and
his salary will not much exceed three
hundred dollars. The same is true of all the
executive officers in the establishment.

I speak knowingly, when I say the com-
pensation is above the point of actual
expenses; social and official posi-
tion being considered.

An increase of 35 or 40 per cent. would
afford some relief, and still leave
the salaries lower than corresponding
salaries elsewhere.

I have therefore respectfully to request
that you will recommend the following
changes to be authorized by Congress,
in regard to the salaries in question,
viz.

Director of the Mint	from \$3,500	to \$5,000 per annum
Year	" 2,000	500 "
Melted & refined	" 2,000	500 "

Engraver of the Mint	from \$200 to \$3000 per annum
Chief Coiner	" " 200 " 3000 "
Assayer	" " 200 " 3000 "
Assistant Assayer	" " 175 " 2250 "

Also that the limitation in regard to the salaries of clerks be changed from \$1800 to \$2250, and the four clerks now receiving \$1000 to \$1800.

I most respectfully for myself and the gentlemen connected with me, invoke your aid and kind offices in this matter.

Very Respectfully,
 Your oth^l serv^t
 J. P. Colwell
 Director.

In the estimates for this institution I embodied the above suggestions. They were forwarded in Oct. 1868.
 J. P. Col.

Treasury Department.

Jan 19, 1865

Sir

The Secretary desires you to furnish, as promptly as you conveniently can, for transmission to Congress, an account of the receipts and expenditures at the U.S. Mint, with an account of its transactions during the last year, in accordance with the Act of April 2, 1792; also a statement of the result of the assays made at the Mint in 1864, of certain foreign gold and silver coins, ^(Act Mch 3, 1843) — so far as the above information was not furnished in your last annual report.

I am very respectfully,
Geo. M. Smith

Asst. Secretary of Treasury

James Pollock Esq

Director of Mint Phila

Sent to Genl Auditor,

Statement of the Cranium receipts & ex-
penditures of the Mint of the U. S. Phila
for the fiscal year ending June 30. 64.

Balance of funds on hand -

At the commencement of fiscal year, \$ 73.169.62

Rec^d during the year from 141.150.00
the Treasury of the U. S.

Rec^d from miscellaneous sources. 892.90

Total means available \$ 215.212.52

Expended for incidentals \$ 14.415.75

" " wages 101.236.70

" " Salaries 26.317.55

Total expenditures \$ 141.970.00

Balance unexpended, \$ 73.242.52

Mint of the United States.

Philadelphia Jan 20th 1865.

Hon W. P. Fessenden,

Sec. Treasury.

Sir,

Your letter of the

19th inst is at hand.

Enclosed you will please find the account of receipts, expenditures &c at the U. S. Mint for the last year, as requested. The Act of April 2. 1792 ^{in the opinion of the officers of the Mint} has been ~~considered~~ repealed, ~~by the Officers of the Mint~~, by the Act of January 18. 1837, which Act required such accounts to be rendered quarterly. We now however, in accordance to the provisions of the Act of July 17. 1862, send monthly statements of receipts & expenditures. These have been forwarded regularly. — The statement of foreign gold & silver coins has been fully reported in my Annual Report for the year ending June 30th 1864. No other assay than that reported took place during the year. Very Respectfully
J. A. Pollock
Director

From to,

Sec. Treasury,

Concerning annual
account of expenditures
receipts, & assay of
foreign coin

Jan^y. 20th 1863

Treasury Department
First Auditor's Office
January 3 1865

Arch M Intyre Esqr
Treas U States Mint
Philadelphia

Sir,

Your account of
Ordinary Expenses for the month of
December 1864 is received.

Very Respectfully

L. Smith
Auditor

J. L. Smith
Auditor
General Accounting
Aug 1865

Official

Treasury Department,

First Auditor's Office,

Jan'y 12^o, 1865

Arch^d McIntyre Esqr
Treasurer of Mint
Philadelphia,
Sir,

Enclosed herewith
find Petty Expense Warrant for the
Month of December 1864 returned
as requested in your letter of the
11th inst.

Very Respectfully

L L Smith
Auditor.

Treasury Department,

First Auditor's Office,

Jan'y 9th, 1865.

Arch McIntyre Esqr
Treas U States Mint
Philadelphia
Sir,

Enclosed herewith
you will find your account current
of Ordinary Expenses for the month of
December 1864 returned that you
may correct the error in the balance
and the United States, alluded to in
your letter of the 7th ultimo.

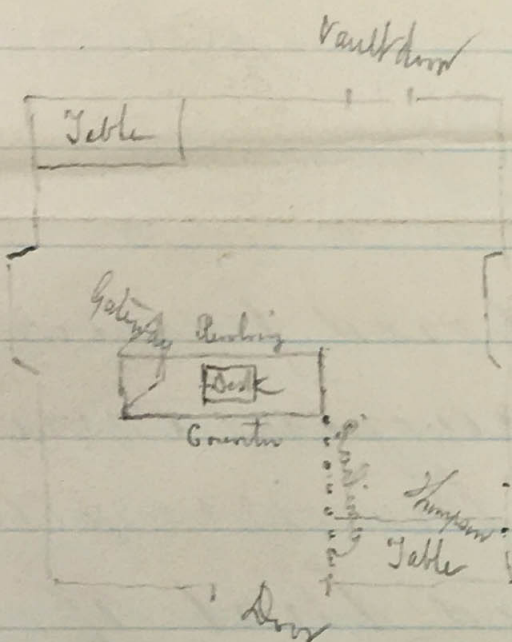
Very Respectfully

Edmund
Auditor

STANDARD EQUIPMENT

Standard Office

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Treasury Department
First Auditor's Office
January 1878

Archibald McIntyre Esqr
Treas U States Mint
Philadelphia
Sir,

Your account of
Ordinary Expenses for the fourth quar-
ter 1864 has been reported to the First
Comptroller of the Treasury for his
action thereon.

Respectfully

J. L. Smith
Auditor

Washon January 16th 1865
W J Wint
Philadelphia Pa.

Dear Sir

Your favor of the - inst enclosing
report of Assayer in regard to the error in
return of the 21 ¹²/₂₀ g of gold forwarded by
us on Dec 21st has been received and contents
noted. In reply we beg to state that we
have bought and sold gold for the last fifty
years and consequently consider our judgement good
in regard to estimating the fineness of lumps
after we have melted the same, and tested it.
We purchase gold in quantities from one drachm
upwards and melt it into lumps and for the
past thirteen years have sent the lumps to the
Mint and never before received returns that
varied materially from our estimates. In regard
to this matter we can only say that we
are of the opinion that our deposit has been
confounded with that from some other party, as
we are certain our lump was 10 Kt fine gross
because we melted the same and tested it, and
furthermore we would not send a lump that
could not bring One hundred dollars as we and

aware of the Minty rule.

We are certain that the report of the Assayer cannot be correct in regard to our lot, and hope you will have the matter investigated further as it is a serious one to us.

Soliciting an early reply we remain

Most Respectfully

J. J. Morgan Paul

P.S.

We should receive about \$170 gold coin (One hundred & Twenty Dollars) as proceeds of the deposits according to our estimate

J. J. Morgan Paul

From & Co.

J. & J. Myers,
Boston

Concerning their
gold deposit,

Jan 18th 1865—

S. J. Myers
Boston,

Jan 18th 85

Dear Sir,

Yours of the 16th inst
is rec^d. In reply I have to say, that
independently of the usual precautions,
there is a certainty that your defect was
not "any disease" with that from some other
or source", in the fact that this was the
only one put on the cupul: & this fact shows
what kind of metal it was. We only resort
to that in extreme cases, & in future will ex-
cept no deposit that calls for that treatment.
The melting of your deposit was confided to
one of our most experienced reliable hands,
& the cupul removed sound, not eaten into
by the fluxes. It is unnecessary to say more
in this case, a mistake was impossible.

Very Respectfully
J. H. Block
Director

Treasury of the United States,

CASH DIVISION,

Washington, Jan. 14, 1865.

Sir:

For the enclosed draft
on Phila of \$2000 - please send
like amount in cents.

Respectfully

E. S. Johnson
Treas. U.S.

James Pollock Esq
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia
Pa.

Check no — \$ 1000 to m. m. & bal. next
day — JP

From etc,
Treasurer U.S.,
Wash^{tn}
D.C.,
Cents (2000) or-
dina —

Jan 16. 65 —

Jan 16.

57

Hon Y. C. Springer,
Treasurer U. S.
Sir.

Yours of the
14th inst. enclosing draft on Phila for
\$2000 for like amt. in cents has been
received.

I will forward tomorrow by Exp.
\$1000, and the balance the fol-
lowing day.

Very Respectfully
Jas Pollock
Director.

Batts Jan 14/65

I rec^d the Gold & Silver Lump to day
I was not aware that by putting more
Silver to the old gold it could not
be received, it was a lot of old
stuff we take in the way of business
which I added & then had it refined
in the Shop with Salt-Peter as I did
not expect you would receive it with
all the Base Metal, I do not know
whether you reject it on that account
or whether I must add enough more
Silver to make it up to \$100 as there was
over \$100 of the Gold, you will oblige by
informing me so that I may know how

to act in the future, if there is one
hundred dollars of Gold & ^{Hundred} one of Silver
all together do you reject it which
will come to the point I desire,

Very Resp
Yours

A E Warner Jr

From
A. E. Warner Jr
Callum
Mr A.
good deposit
Ans by Circular
May 16/65.

Treasury Department.

Jan 12, 1865

Sir

Mr. Carey Lea Esq. having declined to act as one of the Commissioners for the Annual Assay on the 13th proximo, H. McCalluck Esq. Comptroller of the Currency, has been appointed by the President to fill the vacancy thus occasioned.

I am very respectfully,

Yours Truly,
Apt. Secretary of Treasury

James Pollock Esq
Director of Mint
Philadelphia

Mint of the United States.

Philadelphia Jan'y 12th 1865

Sir

I beg leave to present the report of
the Assayer and Melt & Refiner as a
deposit proposing to the gold piece a form
On J. C. Thompson 22nd December weighing
21.66 ounces

This deposit should never have been
received, and is such an imposition
to the Mint and often gives dissatisfaction
to the depositors. I propose with your consent
and in order to avoid in future like troubles
to refuse all deposits of a similar character
unless the Assayer or Melt & Refiner
decide they are in a condition to certainly bring
them within the provisions of the act of Jan'y 18th 1837

Very Respectfully Yours
Frederick A. D. L. D.
Asst. M^r of the Mint

J. Wm James Pollock
Director of the Mint

From

Treasurer of Milk

Order on City on deposit
of gold money see 22/64
of 21.66 of L. S. J. Myers
Boston.

Mint of the United States,

Philadelphia, Jan^y 11 1865

Archibald M^cIntyre Esq.

Treasurer &c.

Dear Sir,

At your request, a thorough examination has been made by the Melted & Refiner, & myself, of the facts in relation to a deposit professing to be gold, made on the 22^d December last in the name of G. C. Thompson, and weighing 21.66 ounces.

Not to go into full particulars, I will state, that after a first and second melting and refining in the usual way, it was found necessary to resort to the bone-ash test. In this operation, a large amount of scoria came off, which was not sufficiently examined, ~~before~~ ^{before} the weight after melting

was reported and recorded. To do justice to the depositor, as well as the Mint, that weight instead of being 4.78 ounces, should be 6.13 ounces; the fineness 573, and the silver 376, ~~thousandths~~, (making about 4 carats, for the original wt.)

A deposit so excessively base and troublesome has scarce ever found its way to the Mint, and it is to be hoped that we shall be able, by a more rigid compliance with the Act of Jan'y 18, 1837, Sect. 14, to avoid such difficulties, by rejecting unsuitable deposits.

Respectfully submitted by

J. R. Eekman

Report of Cassady on
life on deposit of 21 ⁶⁶/₁₀₀

Jan'y

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~~Myers~~ J. Myers
Gent

Your note of the
29th ult, returning proceeds of
gold deposits of $21\frac{1}{4}$ oz, & sug-
gesting error in result, has been
rec^d.

I have caused a rigid ex-
amination to be made as to the
character of the deposits - melting,
assay &c. and now enclose copy
of Report from the Assayer to the
Treasurer of the Mint. The deposits
it will be seen was very base, and
ought to have been rejected. Here-
after such cannot be received. The
Assayer reports, after most careful
examination of the Scoville, that
the weight should have been 6.13
oz instead of 4.78 oz. This difference

we will arrange with the Express
to forward it, with the other,
to you. I have no doubt, that
the result now attained is per-
fectly accurate - the difference
being caused by the unprecise
losses of the deposits, which
threw the meters of these gauges.

Yours very truly
Jas. Pollock
Clerk

Mint of the United States.

Philadelphia February 15th 1866.

Hon E. D. Holbrook.

Dr. Sir.

Your letter of the 11th inst, enclosing resolutions of inquiry into the expediency of changing the location of the Branch Mint from Dalles, Oregon, to Boise City, Idaho, Id., has been received.

It would give me pleasure to reply to your communication ^{in detail}, if my official relations to the Government did not prevent it. When questions, relating to the U.S. Mint, or Branches, are pending ^{before} Congress, I have always deemed it improper to interfere, unless officially requested, to communicate my views thereon. I forward to you by mail the Annual Report for 1863-4, in which my sentiments on the Branch Mints & Assay Offices are fully expressed. (See pp. 8-9).

Idaho Territory, is full of the precious metals, and the Government will no doubt take care to encourage their development.

Yours Very Respectfully,
J. A. Pollock. Dir.

Copy of Rep^t to
Hon E. D. Solbuck
Idaho Terr.

Feb 15 - 1866

RESOLUTION

Introduced in the House of Representatives by Hon. E. D. HOLBROOK, Delegate from Idaho, on the tenth day of January, 1866, and referred to the Committee ~~of~~^{on} Mines and Mining:

WHEREAS, The recent discoveries of the vast and extensive mineral fields of the interior, which the patient and laborious toil of miners has developed, demonstrates that, the deposits of precious metals in the Territory of Idaho are unsurpassed in richness and extent by those of any other country, that it will take the continual labor of ages to exhaust; *and whereas,* the necessary delay, expense and danger attending the transportation of said precious metals a great distance for the purpose of coinage, would be entirely removed by the construction of a United States Branch Mint, in the immediate vicinity of this great mineral centre, would tend to a rapid and full development of the mineral resources, and be of incalculable advantage and benefit to the inhabitants of that section of our country, as well as a source of revenue to the Government; therefore

Be it Resolved, That the Committee on Mines and Mining be instructed to inquire into the expediency of changing the location of the United States Branch Mint from the Dalles, in the State of Oregon, to Boise City, in the Territory of Idaho, and that they report by bill or otherwise.

Washington D.C.
Jan 11th 1865

Hon James Pollack
Sir -

A short time since I addressed a letter to which was so promptly answered I venture to solicit your views and opinion on a measure which is of great moment to my people - As the Delegate of Idaho Territory I have introduced a resolution of inquiry which I enclose to you and on which I have reason to believe I will get a favorable report -

I understand that it has been the opinion of most of our financial men that the construction of a large number of mints by the Gov was entailing an unnecessary expense and therefore had not ought to receive the sanction of our Legislative bodies - I believe however after the discovery of the Colorado Mines you recommended the construction of the mint at Denver City and gave reasons therefor that I think were fully warranted at the time - if there had not subsequently followed a vast deficiency in the quality of the mineral resources of that

section from what we were induced to believe
that existed. There - and this of course could
not be foreseen - that there should be as you
recommended a sufficient number of mints
established in the immediate vicinity of the mines
so as not to impose too heavy burdens on the
producer to get a circulating medium seems
to have prevailed and I understand that this is
the view that you still entertain - But again
your opinion was solicited in 1864 before the
mint was located at the Dalles in the State of
Oregon upon which Congress saw fit to act
adverse to your views - I think in this respect
that the building of a mint in any part of the
State of Oregon was impolitic and unwise
as Oregon although she got the credit after the
discovery of our mines of being a gold producing
State never was - But if an additional
mint to the one already established at San
Francisco was necessary it should be built
where the mines were - No one now pretends
to deny but that the increase of the gold yield
which has been improperly accredited to Oregon
from 1862 to 1865 is really Idaho gold - If such
is the case as it really is had our people ought

to be subjected to a Tax of from ten to twelve
per cent to get their circulating medium from
them when we are the admitted producers
another feature that commends itself to me in
our favor is, this and I do not now recollect
of hearing that it has been taken into consideration
Placer mines are soon exhausted as the diminished
gold yield of California & Oregon attest you
will perceive by your annual report that the
yield from the latter State was merely nominal
in 1861 - had been decreasing yearly till the
discovery of our mines - we have then got to
turn our attention and efforts to develop
other mines and the day is not far distant when
the mineral products would be comparatively
small to the present time - I believe that it is
the history at least so far as my knowledge
extends that where the minerals have been found
imbedded in Quartz commonly called Quartz
Lodes or being that it will take centuries to
exhaust them - In addition to the vast and
extensive Placer mines which exist in Idaho
in comparison with which those of Oregon
amount to nothing we have over three
thousand separate and well defined Lodes or Lodes

To fall back on - already the yield from them
is vast, an immense proportion of the yield
going to foreign countries - which I think would
be greatly obviated by pursuing the advice you
gave on the Denver City Mint - To a greater extent
however on the Western Slope of the Rocky Mts than
on this side - In short we think that the mint should

be relocated that it should go to the Centre of the
Mineral fields and as Oregon produces but little
save her Red Apples and Idaho the gold that the
Gov has been wise in not expending the
Appropriation made at the Dulles - I should like
to know your views on the subject and will
make such use only of them as you may desire
I should be pleased also if you would give
me information as to the Condition and ~~diminution~~
Capabilities of the three mints in the Southern States

Very Truly Yours Obt Servant E D Holbrook
Belleville Mo

To Hon James Pollock
Director U S Mint

From
Hon E. D. Holbrook
Belleville Mo
On forwarding Br. sent from
Dallas, Oregon - to Wash. City.
Dated Aug.
July 11/66. Recd
(July 11/66)
July 15/66 apptd. recd
copy within W. B.

House of Reps.

Jan. 10. 1865.

Dear Sir:

I wish to have
a copy of the Hunt medal
struck for me as soon as
convenient and sent by
express. I will send the
cost of the same as
soon as I know how
much it is.

I am,

Yrs. Respectfully,

Wm. McKim

Hon. James Pollock

Dept. Mint, &c.

P.S. Of course, I don't want
it struck in gold.

From to,

E. B. Washburn
M. C.,

Grant medal

Jan 10. 1865

Jan'y 21st 5

Hon E. B. Washburn
Sir

Your of 18th inst,
concerning bill for the Grant Medal,
to be receipted, has been recd,
enclosed duplicate receipts,
as required by my. Capt. Please
forward amount to me.

I will cause a copy of the
Medal in bronze to be made &
sent to you. The cost will not
exceed three or four dollars.

Yours truly
Jas. Pollock

Washington D.C.
January 10th 1884.

Am. Jas. Pollock
Supt. Mint.

Dear Sir:

I return

herewith your bill for medal.

If you will receipt it, I
will approve it, and have it
promptly paid.

Very truly
Yours.

Richard M. Johnson

Boston Jan 11 1865
Gov Jas Pollock
Sir

Yours of Dec 30th
is at hand ordering two Bbls Extra
Lard oil

Please find bills enclosed
for two Bbls. sent to Steamer Norman
to leave Boston on Saturday next

The price charged you may
seem high, but it is the lowest at
which it can be made. at present
price of Lard. but we will reduce
the price as soon as possible

Yours truly
E. B. Alden & Co
J. B. N

From to,
E. G. Allen to
Boston,

Laborer or -
and sent,

Jan 21, 1860 -

Jan 21. 67

C. G. Alden & Co.,
Boston.
Gents,

We have this
morning received two bbls hard
oil recently received, the ship-
ment of which we were advised
of a year or two ago.
You may know on the
right for amt of oil \$197.⁸⁰/₁₀₀
The price is higher than the
same article can be bought
for in this City.

Very Respectfully
J. P. P. & Co.
Director

To.

Sec. Treasury,

Monthly count &

Examination

Dec. 1864,

Jan. 2nd 1865—

January 1865—

Jan 2nd 5-

Mr. H. P. Fessenden,
Sec. Treasury,
D.C.

The usual monthly
count and examination made at the close
of business on Saturday the 31st ult. exhibited
the following balances in the hands of the
Treasury of the Mint.

In Gold.	\$ 578,459.00
" Silver.	38,511.61.
Ordinary account.	81,960.92
Cent "	245,113.48
Pr. Mint Denver a/c.	1,370.88
" " San Francisco "	1,310.96
	<u>\$ 941,726.85-</u>

Corroborating with the balances as stated
on that officer's books of account.
An examination made at the same
time into the general condition of the
Mint, gave satisfactory evidence that

the affairs of the Institution were con-
ducted with care & fidelity.

I am Sir,

Very respectfully,

J. B. Colby
Director

Jan 2^d

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Mr. H. P. Wassenaar,

Sec. Treasury

Sir,

Pursuant to law
and the regulations of the department,
I made examination at the close of business
Saturday 31st ult. of the books, accounts and
monies on hand in the office of the Asst.
Treasurer U. S. at Philadelphia, and found a
balance of \$ 5,809,437.08, which compared
and with his statement of account for that
day. In the foregoing the following items
were omitted as cash,

Reserve Fund,

\$ 1,034,700.00

Temporary Loan

902,958.70

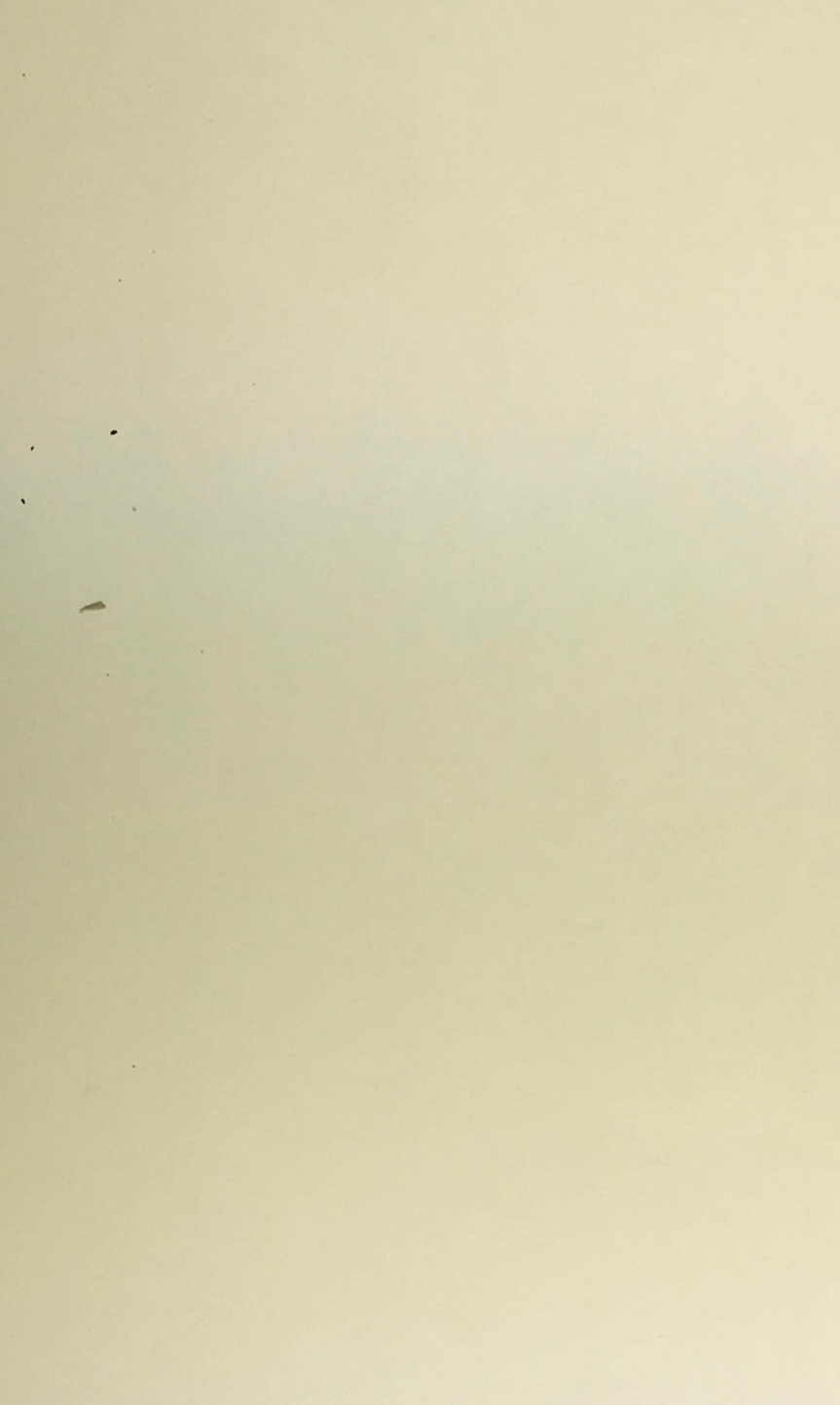
5% coupon notes.

7,200.00

Very respectfully,

J. P. Colwell
Director

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1865 / JANUARY



U.S. MMT General Correspondence 1865 / February 1867

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,

Feb 10. 1865.

Sir:

I transmit herewith for your examination and report thereon,
a letter under date of 9th Feb'y - from Senator
Conner, enclosing an application from
W.B. L. Kenney for the privilege of procuring
from the San Francisco Branch Mint a small
quantity of Iridium.

Please report if it is practicable to
grant the request, and on what conditions.

You will please return the enclosed paper, with your report, to
this Department.

I am, very respectfully,

Wm. H. Hunt
Asst. Secretary of the Treasury.

James Pollock Esq.
Director of Mint

From Mr.

Asst. Sec. Treasury

Concerning propo-
sition of Mr Ken-
sig to by Treasury
at San Francisco,

Feb 11th 1855

THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT

Feb 10 1855

Treasury Department.

Feb 8, 1865

Sir
Your letter of the 6th inst. is received,
enclosing specimens of three cent coins. When
your full report is transmitted the Secretary
will give the matter careful consideration.

I am very respectfully
Yrs. &c
Asst. Secretary of Treasury

James Pollock Esq
Director of Mint
Phila.

From,

Asst. Sec. Treasury,

Ack^d. receipt of
new 3 cent coin,

Feb 9th 1865—

Butte Feb 25th / 1865

Sir,

I have a case coming for trial next month where the leading point will turn in a great degree on the relative values of the Gold and Silver dollars, the units of our currency - I have made a careful examination of your reports since 1861 as I find them in the Bankers Almanach & in the National Almanac as well as of the Statutes; and, as you are the Chief authority on the subject in the United States, with your permission I should like to trouble you with a few enquiries on the discrepancy in value of the two units.

You remark in 1861 that the Standard Silver dollar was then of more value than the Gold dollar by $3\frac{98}{100}$ cents. Am I to understand by this cents or decimals of the gold dollar? -

If so, then I take it that commercially speaking the proposition of 1 to 15.99 adopted by the Act of 1857 has through the

influence of supply and demand on the two metals changed their relations so that at the time of your report they were bought & sold as 1 to 15.16 approximately, when considered as bullion, Am I right?

I would not trouble you with this enquiry but for the fact that in your report of 1863 or rather in your letter to Mr. Homans published in the Bankers Almanach of 1864 you speak of buying an ounce of Standard Silver for \$1.22½ cents (in Silver) which with your having spoken previously in reports of the price paid for Silver bullion makes me a little uncertain whether in either you refer to the value in gold which you pay for Silver bullion. —

My own recollections of the Gold Bill when it was enacted, are that at the time it was intended to appreciate Silver in a slight degree over existing commercial value so as to induce a diffusion of the Gold currency — I should be pleased to learn what has been the highest & what the lowest limit of the appreciation of ~~gold~~ silver during the past fifteen years in proportion to gold

Also can you inform me whether there is any Commercial European Nation that has its unit of currency expressed in the two metals, and if so what proportions are adopted.

I should also like to be informed whether your computation of the value of foreign gold coins, as Patriot Doubloons is made in American gold, or how else -

These matters you are very familiar with, and my apology for intruding on your attention is that I expect in the case referred to, to develop some of the practical embarrassments growing from the unit existing in two metals whose relations are not permanent and I trust to contribute somewhat to the diffusion of your views concerning the present unsymmetric arrangement of the unit of value. There being no U.S. silver dollars in the market except as curiosities and the cause of the premium for Pillared dollars being known our business men have not been able to give me any information on this subject and I am thrown

per force on your courtesy -
I am with great respect
Your obt^d servant
Chas, Seillwoodbury

Mr James Pollock
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia }

From Mr.

R. Sherwood

Royal Mint

London

Proposed in -
Government in

and

decline

March 27, 68

OFFICE OF
THE Adams Express Company.

Pittsburgh, Feb 18 1865

Geo. C. Thompson Esq
Phila

Wm

I have your favor
of the 17th in relation to Bag
Rumour 308. Shipped Dec 14/64
to Jno Ford Spartanburg Pa
We forwarded this Bag on the 16
Dec to Erie - pre paid 1⁰⁰ tho
as we supposed it was sufficient
to complete the transportation -

The former inquiries were
duly forwarded - and I have
now written to Mr Dams Sup
Am Ex Co Cleveland to have the
Bag deliv^d and charge addition
al Cost if any to this Office - which
I hope will save you any further trouble
in regard thereto Very truly
Yours
Geo B. Shaw

Adams Ex Co,

Pittsburgh

Pa

To
Sec. Treasury,

Report result of
the Annual assay
Commission —

Feb 13, 1868

"ought than is allowed by law the
"trial is unseemly and reported as such
"infacting"

I am Sir,

Very respectfully

J. W. Pollock
Director.

Feb 15th 87

Hon^{ble} Mr. P. Henderson
Sec. Treasury
Sir.

I have the honor
to inform you that the trial of the gold &
silver coined coins of the United States,
made by the Annual Assay Commission
on the 13th & 14th inst, has been completed,
and with satisfaction, as will appear
from the following resolution copied from
the notes of the Board.

"On motion of Dr. H. H. H. the following res-
olution was unanimously adopted,
"Resolved that the examination of the
gold and silver coins assayed at the Mint
of the United States, Phila^a and the Branch
Mint San Francisco in the year 1864, is in
the judgment of the Assay Commission
sufficient, & there appearing no greater
deviation from the standard fineness and

Sam & Jo,
Mr. Kennedy
kept Orlean
Feb. 27, 1845

Mint of the United States.

Philadelphia February 24th 1865.

Dear Sir,

Your letter of the 25th inst has
been received.

~~I am happy to inform you that,~~
I am well acquainted with Mrs Robert Newlin &
Mrs Thos O. James and consider them ladies of high
social standing, and the object that they have
in view deserving of the regard and consideration
of every American Patriot.

Very Respectfully Yours &c,

Jas. C. G. Kennedy Esq
Department of the Interior
Washington
H.C.

Census Office, Department of the Interior,

Washington, 25 Feb 1865

My dear Sir.

I have been called on
Mrs Robert Newlin & Mrs Thos.
P James for contribution to a fund
"to Establish a National Union
Home for Disabled Soldiers" &c
after a programme on which
you are represented prominently.

I write to ascertain if this
is a legitimate operation
& if you know the ladies men-
tioned who are personally
calling on parties here -

Yours very respectfully

How Jos Pollock Jos. C G Kennedy
Phil =

March 8 5-

Hon Hugh McCulloch
Sec. Treasury
Sir.

I understand
that the bill providing for the coin-
age of the silver and copper three-
cent piece, has been passed. I will
thank you for a copy thereof at
your convenience.

Very Respectfully
Yrs. ob. Servt.

Jas Pollock
Director

Y^o.

Hon H. M^c Culloch
Sec. Treasury

Ask for copy of
Brie authorizing
issue of 3 cent piece

March 8. 65

U. S. Mint —
Deposits, January
1865

Statement of Deposits Received at the Mint of the United States
during the Month of January 18 65

GOLD.

From Assay Office, N. Y.

\$

U. S. Bullion.

Virginia, *Montana*
N. Carolina, *Idaho*
S. Carolina, *Colorado*
Georgia,
Alabama,
Tennessee,
Oregon,
Kansas,
Arizona,
California.

134985 63
61487 07
9167 83

1551 37

4393 58

7210 90

2841 8

20900 23

8499 10

24159 14

U. S. Coins, (~~U. S.~~)

Defaced

Parted from silver,

Jewelers' bars, &c.,

Foreign bullion,

Foreign coins,

Total Gold,

\$

272639 03

SILVER.

From Assay Office, N. Y.

\$

U. S. Bullion.

Lake Superior,

N. Carolina,

Parted from gold,

Jewelers' bars, plate, &c.,

U. S. coins, (~~former issue~~) *HC*

Foreign bullion,

Foreign coins,

Fractions Spanish & Mexican dollar for exchange for cents,

Do. do do purchased,

Total Silver,

\$

Cents of old issue for exchange for new cent,

\$

Total Deposits,

\$

822776

Howard Green & Co
Philadelphia

HOWARD EXPRESS CO.,

General Office, 607 Chestnut St.

Philadelphia,

186

J. Hornum

D. Martin

County

Pa

\$ 150

Beloit. Vt.

Mr. J. Gold Mining. Beloit-Mass. 8/65
Yours of the 4th came to hand
On the 4th sent you certificate of export
of Gold to Mr. Lewis - the Reason
of my having it sold in Philadelphia
was the Gold Exp. License as you
say you cannot sell it for me
You may send the Gold
to New York pay the Amere Exp
to some other good Responsible
Co. take a Receipt of the point
I want it shipped to
J. S. Cronin & Co.
27 Wall Street, I. home on 9
With him I also Enclose a few
Lines to you for you to send it. J. S. Cronin
With Gold Let Mr Cronin pay the
Charge when it arrives I have written
several letters I hope you will excuse me of so much
trouble send it to New York City Respectfully
to J. S. Cronin & Co Isaac Gardner
27 Wall Street New York City

Bellevue - March 8/62
J. S. Leonard Esq

I have in the U.S.
Mint \$248.54 in Gold, including 1.98 in Sil
I have the Mint - order to Lewis & Co
you by Exp. Please tell & show the
Balance to my Ye Respectfully

Isaac Gardner
Please answer the Receipt of this

Forward this with the Gold
Send me a duplicate of Exp
Rec when it is shipped

Isaac Gardner

From

Isaac Gardner
Belmont. Wis

Proceeds of gold deposits
to be sent to J. Brown
to N.Y.

March 8/65

Copy of reply within.
J

U. S. Mint. Philadelphia

March 16. 1865

Mr Isaac Gardner

Sir

Your note of the 8th
inst recd.

The proceeds of your gold
deposits was paid over to the
Adams Ex. Co., which sold the same
according to your instructions, &
sent the amount to you in a draft,
by Mail March 9. 1865, which you
doubtless have by this time recd.

Yours truly
J. A. Pollock
Clerk

Belmont. Mass.

From & to,

As ^{to} ~~the~~ Auditor
Yearly

Concerning the
Sweep of the Rev
Must serve

Feb 15, 165-

Treasury Department,

First Auditor's Office,

February 11th 1865.

Hon James Pollock
Director U.S. State Mint
Philadelphia
Sir,

The Treasurer of the Branch Mint at Denver has deposited to the credit of the Ordinary fund Three thousand and three dollars & sixty six cents, of which sum Five hundred and fifty four dollars & thirty one cents, is the value of sweeps accruing from Stamped Bars from Sept 24 1863 to June 30 1864.

I will thank you to inform this Office what instructions (if any) you have given the Treasurer of the Branch Mint Denver in regard to the disposition to be made of sweeps.

Very Respectfully
D. W. Mahan
Actg Auditor

"guiding of the pots, sweepings &c
" will accrue to the ordinary fund
" of the Branch Unit."

I am Sir,

Very respectfully

Jas. M. Hook
Director.

Feb. 15th 67

J. H. Mahon Esq

Act. & Auditor,

Treasury Office

Washington,

Sir,

Yours of the 11th inst inquiring what instructions have been given to the Treasurer of the Branch Mint at Denver in regard to the disposition to be made of scraps, is received. In reply I have to inform you that on the 14th and the 15th inst I have given my instructions to the Superintendent, approved by the Secretary of the Treasury March 28th 1868.

" 14th - Meanwhile the only accounting of -
" fees in the legal sense will be the
" Treasurer, and there will be no ac-
" counting of postage or allowance for
" the same.

" 15th - Any minute grains from the

Office Wilkes-Barre Gas Company,

Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Feb^y 14th 1865.

Hon^{ble} Wm Pollock

Director of the Mint
Phil^a

Dr Sir

Inclosed

please find Twelve Dollars (12)
for which please send me the
Amount in the new three Cent
fractional Currency by mail
and oblige

Yours Resply
Marcus Smith
Scty

Cover of forwarded, per Adams
Ex. Feb^y 16th 1865, \$12, in 3
of notes, W.B.

Marcus Smith,
Wilkes Barre.

Q^{uo}

The Chairman of the Committee on Assaying reports that they have attended to the duty assigned them and in accordance with the instructions have found as follows.

Result of Silver Assay

No. 1.	Philad. Mass.	900.4
" 2.	San Francisco Mass.	900.4
" 3.	Philad. Dollar	900.8
" 4.	" Half Dollar	898.8
" 5.	" Quarter Dollar	900.8
" 6.	" Dime	899.
" 7.	" Half Dime	899.2
" 8.	" Three cent piece	899.8
" 9.	San Francisco. Half dollar.	900.2
" 10.	" " Quarter dollar.	899.8
" 11.	" " Dime	900.8
" 12.	" " Half dime	900.6

Results of Gold Assay.

No. 1.	Phila. Mass.	900.1
" 2.	San Francisco. Mass.	900.2
" 3.	Phila. Double Eagle.	899.9
" 4.	" Eagle	900.2
" 5.	" Half Eagle.	899.9
" 6.	" Three dollar	900.
" 7.	" Quarter Eagle	900.
" 8.	" Dollar.	899.8
" 9.	San Francisco Double Eagle	900.
" 10.	" Eagle	900.
" 11.	" Half Eagle	899.8
" 12.	" "	

These results are in every way satisfactory and show that the various processes employed in the preparation of the coin are well performed by the officers of the Mint.

John F. Frazer
Ch^{mn} of the Mint.

Annual Assn.

Feb 13. 1865-

Reports of Com-
mittees —

From J W Ramsey
Spl Asst. Treas. ^{Dep't}
& to Sec Treasury
in reply.

Concerning the dif-
ference in finit cost
etc. between our
Assay Office & Branch
Mint.

Feb 11th 1865

Treasury Department.

Washington, Feb 9 1865.

Hon James Pollock.

Director U.S. Mint

Sir:

Enclosed is a copy of a bill introduced by Senator Ramsey, which explains itself.

Please communicate to the Secretary of the Treasury, or to my address, a statement of the difference in first cost and current expenditure between a Branch Mint and an Assay Office.

Yours respectfully,

James W. Taylor
Special Agent.

at 11th

5.

Hon. Jas. P. Henderson

Sec. Treasury
Sir.

I have received a communication from Jas. P. Ramsey, Special Agent of the Dept. enclosing a copy of a bill introduced by Mr. Ramsey, & requesting a statement of the difference in first cost & current expenditures between a Branch Mint & an Assay Office.

In reply I have to say that the cost & current expenditures of a Br. Mint & Assay Office will depend very much upon the size & character of the business & the nature of their respective operations. A Branch Mint & Assay Office in the same locality & of equal grade must be taken for the purpose of comparison. Without intending to absolute exactness the cost & current expenditures of a Branch Mint would be at least double that of an Assay Office, without any

comparative advantage. A Branch Mint
on the smallest scale, at points remote from
our commercial manufacturing centers
would in the quantity of machinery required
- material necessary for preparing the precious
metals for coinage - the cost of transportation
&c, would be very expensive, both in first
cost & current expenditures, and would do
nothing more than furnish coin for the
current use of a sparse population. An
Assay Office requires but little machinery -
no steam engines - but little material com-
paratively - fewer Officers & employees, and
with greatly less cost & current expenditures.
The commercial benefits that
can reasonably be derived, by melting and
assaying the gold & silver wearing stamped
bars. If you desire a more accurate an-
swer illustrating the difference of cost in dol-
lars & cents, it will be necessary to ascertain the
points, prices of machinery, cost of transportation
to which will require considerable delay.
I have from a general knowledge of the facts

approximated the difference in general terms,
which may be sufficient for the purpose
of your inquiry. If not I will endeavor to
procure the data for a more specific estimate.
I wish me to suggest, that if the Bullion certifi-
cates of deposit at the Assay Office are made
available at the Mint & Branches, as indicated
in the 6th Sec of the enclosed Act, authority
not to be given to the Secretary of the Treasury
provide a fund out of which such certifi-
cates could be paid. At present no such
fund exists & the Bullion fund of the Mint
& Branches could not be used for that pur-
pose without special authority.

I am Sir,

Very Respectfully

J. A. Pollock
Director

Copy sent to ^{head} Mr. Kearney

MINT OF THE UNITED STATES,

MELTING AND REFINING DEPARTMENT.

Philadelphia, Feb. 11th 1865

Dear Sir,

In regard to the request of Hon. Mr. Conness
& of Mr. Kenning I remark that up to the year
1854 we refined nearly all the gold of California,
& that the so-called Iridium accumulated in our
hands to the amount of some hundreds of ounces,
that at first we sold it at a rate per ounce,
which increased up to three dollars, in propor-
tion as we became acquainted with its market
value for the points of Gold Pens; that we soon
discovered, that after selecting out the Points,
which form a small part of the whole, the residue
was again thrown into native Gold grains, under
the delusive expectation of obtaining a larger
yield of gold, or a better price for a heavier weight.
This was extremely objectionable, as it requires
special care, & greater expense to free gold
from the Iridium. The director of the Mint

at my urgent solicitation, then issued an order, which I think was subsequently applied to the California Branch Mint & to the N.Y. Assay Office, that the Iridium might be sold at such rate per ounce, my memory says two dollars per ounce, but that for every ounce sold, the purchaser should refund two ounces ^{least} of Iridium & Iridium dust. I think as much as twenty pounds of valueless Iridium was thus brought back to this Mint, & prevented being used as an adulterant of Gold Deposits. The greater part was thrown away, a little being reserved for chemical investigation.

As it is now proposed merely to select the Points from the Iridium, & to return the balance I would suggest that the transaction be allowed, a proper Mint Officer being instructed to prove that the joint weight of the Iridium residue & selected points, at least equal the original weight of the Iridium before selection. I further suggest that the value of selected points

per ounce be ascertained, best perhaps in New York; for the prices above named were for the clean native grains, which were said to yield a very small proportion of Points.

I am wholly unacquainted with present prices, but some ten years since, the ounce of selected points was valued at from ten to seventy five dollars per ounce, according to the care exercised in the selection.

I should perhaps state a stronger reason why it is desirable to withdraw waste Iridium from possible circulation. It is impossible to remove it wholly from gold, by any of the usual processes of refining, & that which remains, is extremely detrimental to ^{the} rolls, punches & dies, used in coinage, on account of its extreme hardness. Hence the desirability of demanding a greater weight in exchange for Iridium sold, so as to withdraw much of that which has been already worked.

Respectfully & truly yours

J. H. Booth
M. & R.

Hon. James Pollock
Director U. S. Mint

Mint of the United States.

(Copy) Philadelphia

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Be it enacted &c. That in addition to the
devices legends upon the gold & silver
coins of the United States, it may be
lawful for the Director of the Mint
with the approbation of the Secretary
of the Treasury, to cause as soon as
practicable the motto, "In God we
trust" to be placed upon such coins,
hereafter to be issued, as well with pro-
per modification of existing devices
admit of such motto,

To Hon Jno A Mason
M. C.,
Washington,

Concerning the pla-
cing matter to God we
trust in all our coms
copy of bill enclosed,
New com's &c,

Feb 6. 1865—

Hon. Geo. A. Cassen.

Feb 6th

Dear Sir,

I enclose a suggested a draft of a bill authorizing the introduction of the motto "In God we trust", upon the gold & silver coins of the United States &c. I also enclose a specimen of a three cent piece, which I collected & dated the 75th struck this day as an experiment. As we have not been able to conclude our experiments, I cannot at this present furnish the draft of the law necessary to authorize this coinage. The metal is harsh - hard to work - damaging to machinery &c, and therefore I would not recommend, under any circumstances the coinage of any other denominations, out of this metal than the three cent piece. I will write to the Secretary of the

Enclosed and forward to him a copy
of the bill for the new coinage, when
we have ascertained the data &c,

Yours truly
J. A. Block
Dir.

Mint of the United States.

Copy

Philadelphia Feby 7th 1865

Thos Bee. Secy

D & M. R. R. Co.

Dear Sir,

Yours of the 1st inst. making enquiry in regard to cents ordered Dec 31st/63, & April 22^d/64, is at hand, In reply I have to inform you, that the order of Dec 31st/63, for \$50, was received by the Mint Jan 1st/64, and forwarded, per Adams Express, April 26th, to the Secy of the D & M R.R. at Detroit Mich. The order of April 22^d/64, ^{\$50,} was received April 26th and forwarded as before, July 26th. I have no idea why you have not received them. Perhaps the former Secy received them, and has forgotten it,

Yours truly
Geo. V. V. Look
Dir
for M.R.?

Waverly Tioga Co. N York Febth 6. 1865.

Mr Pollock, Esq.

Sir. Enclosed within
You will find Five Dollars (\$5.00) please
forward me five set of the last
Postal Currency or in other words
the Last issue I want to preserve
them in my Cabinet i have
five set of the other issues i want
them from the Mint and then I
know they are not bogus Government
will not have the pleasure of
redeeming them. The order i
sent You last June for medals
when may i look for them I want
the Grant Medal (Bully for Grant)
I must have him Our Town has
pilled up her Quoties and five to
spare send on the next call Resp. Your
James Pollock Esq. J. E. Hallett

Copy, U.S. Mint

Feb 27/65,

J. B. Hall.

Sir

We have no postage
currency for distribution in the
Mint, Grant has not ready,
Please find enclosed the \$5,
sent in your letter,
After this will be ready in the
course of several weeks.

Yours

J. B.

Sir

Dr. W. B.

J. E. Hallet,

Waverly

M^g

Mint of the United States.

Philadelphia Jan. 30th 1865-

~~To whom it may come,~~

~~The bearer of~~

~~his letter be kept good~~

[Faint, illegible handwriting, possibly bleed-through from the reverse side of the page.]

To,
Judge Cadwallader
Hon Chas. Gilpin
Mr B. Thomas Esq,
ex officio Assay-
Comm^{rs}.

Informing them
of approach of
Annual Assay,

Feb 4, 1865-

Feb. 4th

Hon. Chas. Wilson,
U. S. Attorney, E. D., Pa.

Dear Sir:

Permit

me to remind you that the
Annual Essay Commission
will meet at the Unit on Mon-
day the 13th inst. at 10. O'clock
A. M., at which time we hope
to have the pleasure of your
attendance.

With great respects,
Yrs. very truly,

J. S. Pollock
Director

Feb 4th

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Wm B. Thomas Esq.
Collector of the Port.
Philad.

Dear Sir:

Permit
me to inform you that the
Annual Assay Commission
will meet at the Mint on Mon-
day the 13th inst at 10 O'Clock A.M.
at which time we hope to have
the pleasure of your atten-
dance.

Very respectfully
yrs. obt. Servt.

J. A. Pollock
Director

Feb 4th 5-

Hon John Cadwallader
Judge, Dist. Court. U. S.
Dear Sir,

Permit
me to remind you that the
Annual Essay Commission
will meet at the Unit on Mon-
day the 13th inst at 10.00 AM.
at which time we hope to have
the pleasure of your atten-
dance.

Very respectfully
Yrs. &c. &c.
J. A. Pollock
Director.

Binghamton N York Feb 6th 65

Mr Archd Macintire,
Treasurer of the Mint
Dear Sir

I have 80 Pwt of
California Gold, Should I send
it to the Mint can I have it
Coin'd and sent to me at this
Place, — your reply will much
Oblige your humble
Servant

Charles Miller

sent circular

Chas Miller
Rougham
NY
Feb 6th 1868

How richly rewarded
am I!

Wakfield R.I
Feb 1, 1865

Samuel Tallock Esq
Sir

I sent you \$25. dollars
on the 25th of December
and on the 17th you wrote
me I should receive
the cuts in about 6 weeks
As they have not been rec^d
I thought they might have
been lost by the express,

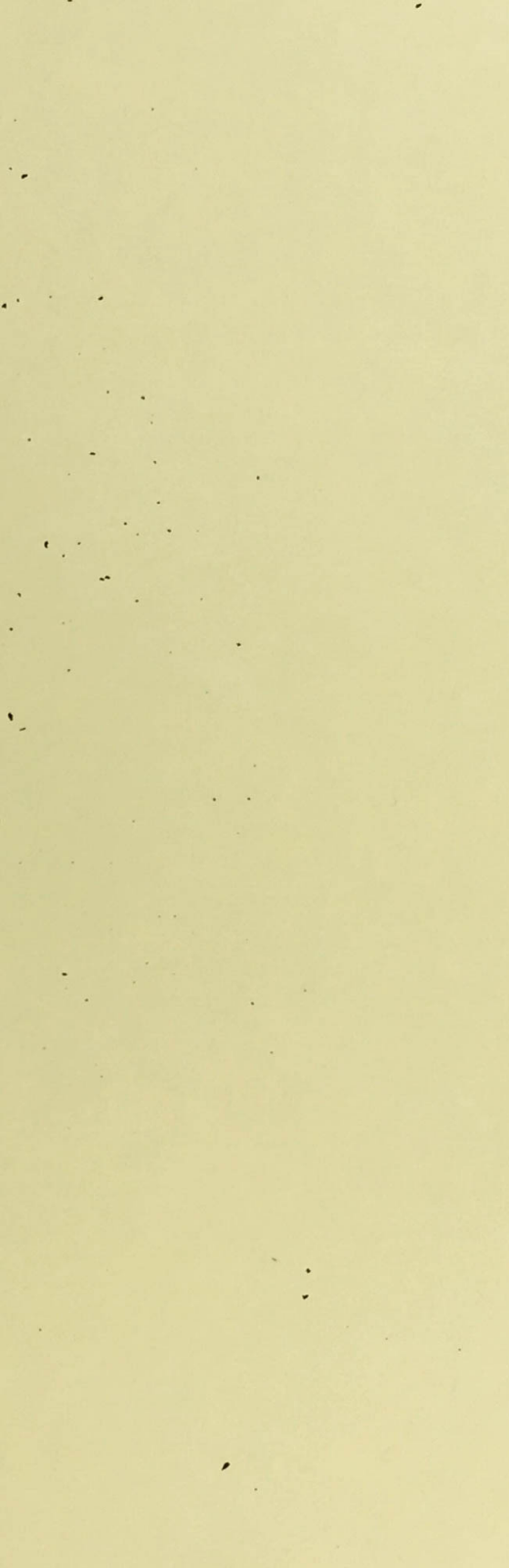
Yours &c

Chas H Hazard

Sir,
They were forwarded ^{young} to address
per Express, Feb 8th / 65,
W. H. M.

Chas H Hazard
Wolfeboro
N.H.

U.S. MMT General Correspondence 1865 / February 1867



U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1865/FEBRUARY

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Charles Levi Woodbury Esq

Sir Yours of the 25th inst is recd

I will reply as ^{succinctly} ~~closely~~ as I can to your inquiries, in the hope that what is given will avail for your purposes, which I do not very clearly comprehend.

1. In 1861, the whole silver dollar, ~~then~~ coined at this Mint, if it were ^{then} to come back to us to be bought as bullion, would have brought 103.98 cents, in lesser silver coins. If the same dollar were to come back now, it would bring 105.27 cents; the Mint price, which by law is a shifting one, having changed from 121 to $122\frac{1}{2}$ cents per ounce of standard fineness. We do not pay gold for silver, and therefore the Mint is not the proper place to determine how a gold dollar and a silver dollar compare. In the eye of the law, each is a legal dollar; and so, ^{also} ^{to the extent of five dollars} two half dollars are ^{also} a legal dollar; although intrinsically, a silver dollar is worth $107\frac{27}{64}$ cents, as compared with two half dollars. The reason of that is, that the silver dollar is coined at the rate of $116\frac{4}{11}$ cents per ounce; the half dollar (and less coins) at 125 cents per ounce; making a profit to Government of the difference between the buying price, $122\frac{1}{2}$, and the coinage rate, 125. But when

we coin dollars, we do not buy bullion for that purpose, and therefore there is no Govt profit in that case, except the $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. Coinage charge. In fact, whole dollars are merely coined for the East India trade, and for coin-collectors: they occupy a place in our list (which ^{they} ought ^{not} to be ~~repeated~~) and therefore ^{but} a few of them are coined.

2. "Whether there is any Commercial European nation that has its unit of currency expressed in the two metals, and if so, what proportions are adopted?"

Every nation that coins both metals, has its unit expressed in both, necessarily. But there is this difference. In England, and France, gold is used in large payments, silver only for change. In Belgium, Germany, and Italy, silver predominates, and gold is used chiefly for commercial or international ~~trade~~ purposes. In England, silver is a legal tender only to the extent of two pounds. In France the payer has his option; and at the present rates always chooses to pay in gold. In the United States, ^{silver (less than the dollar)} is a legal tender to the extent of 5. Dolls. The legal proportion in England, according to the coinage, is 14.287 to one. In France, it is $15\frac{1}{2}$ to one. In the United States, taking the 125 rate, it is $14\frac{38}{43}$ to one.

Very respectfully to

From

Charles Levi Woodbury &
Boston

Ms

Relations of gold & silver
com. &c

March 3/65 Answered &
copy written. J

Watbury Feb 23 1865

Prof I B Booth

Dear Sir

Below please find Memorandum
from cash, cent blanks Lot #31 shipped this day
marked as usual

Respectfully Yours

Wm L. Booth Haydens
for I. Booth

Memorandum of cent Blanks shipped N. Y. State
Print by Wm L. Booth Haydens Feb 23 1865
9 cases one cent Blanks Lot #31 553th

Copper 44 $\frac{1}{2}$ Blanks 69 $\frac{1}{2}$

5537
69 $\frac{1}{2}$
2768 $\frac{1}{2}$
49833
33222
3848.21
43.66
3804.55
3804.55

5537
2 $\frac{1}{3}$
16611
19074
1273.51 $\frac{1}{3}$
3820.53
2768
3848.21

No. 31

Melter & Refiner's
Correspondence

February 1865

Feb. 24th

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Dear Sirs,

we just finished weighing & assaying Nos 28 & 29. No 30 just received ^{& assayed}, but not weighed. The assays are as follow:

No 28	3.2 % Fin	2.2 % Zinc
No 29	3.8 "	2.2 "
No 30	3.3 "	2.2 "

If you can avoid a part of this excess, we would prefer it.

The bills for 28 & 29 will be:

No 28. 6143 lbs. @ 70 $\frac{1}{2}$ cts = \$4300.25

Less freight, &c. 47.89 \$4282.92

No 29. 6295 lbs. @ 70 $\frac{1}{2}$ cts = \$4422.23

Less freight, &c. 48.56 \$4373.67

Net for 28 & 29. \$8656.59

We shall retain \$400 = for Cents, as per your note of 16th Inst. We note your remarks of 13th Inst. in relation to a 3-cent coin, & in

reply observe that we are proposing to
present a 3 & 5-cent piece of a different
alloy from our 1 & 2. I have tried it & find
it is ~~much~~ harder than the
brasses, & even than the nickel cent. We fear
lest the remainder of the session of Congress
be too short to effect our object, altho' it
can be shown that it would return 2 or 3
millions of dollars annually into the Treasury
at least for some time to come, when it is
most needed, (provided we make them fast enough.).

We note what you say in reference to the
amount of alloy you would have on hand
when a repetition of orders for the cent is made
& appreciate your difficulty, but I doubt not
that due time will be allowed you to close
the business.

Respectfully yours
Jas C Booth

Wm. Holmes, Booth & Hayden

Waterbury,

Connecticut

Waterbury Feb. 17 1865

Prof J C Booth

Dear Sir

We have to day shipped
Cent & Blank Lot #30 ten casks marked
as usual as per Memorandum below — We can-
not this week get our usual quota of casks
& two or three in this shipment are not
of the usual kind but think we have
made them secure.

Respectfully Yours
Hobbs Booth Hayden
per J Hobbs

Memorandum of ten casks & Blanks shipped
It is to be sent by Hobbs Booth Hayden Feb 17 1865
10 casks and Cent Blanks by our weight 6231^{lbs}
Lot #30

Copper 45¹/₄ Blanks 70¹/₄

6231	6231
70 ¹ / ₄	5
1557.75	31155
436170	218085
437727	436170
	55775
	4377.27
	5000

HOLMES, BOOTH & HAYDEN,
WATERBURY,
CT.

Waterbury July 16 1865
Prof J C Booth

Dear Sir

We are in receipt of your check Forty one hundred & fifty ²⁶/₁₀₀ dollars which with Four hundred dollars in cents sent us (which are received) is in payment of \$27.
Respectfully

Yours Truly
Holmes Booth & Hayden
Ed Griggs Treas

P.S. We would like to have you send us \$400⁰⁰ more of cents at your convenience

A B H

J

Waterbury Feb 16 1865

Prof G C Smith

Dear Sir

Yours with the check for
\$27 is at hand, & further from further remarks
in regard to the diminution in the demand
for One & two cents & that it is probable You
will soon find it necessary to withhold Your
orders on us. This business has been conducted
on Your part so very satisfactory to us that
we could wish for a longer continuance of
Your favors but shall be perfectly satisfied
of course with the amount it is for the
interest of the Mine to give us. Your orders
to stop would at any time find us with
from 12000 to 15000 of the Alloy Cast & in
process of making which we could not use
on account of the Tin for any other branch of
our trade but we will now commence to ship
the amount as small as possible so that the
quantity on hand when we get the notice to stop
shall not be unreasonably large. Very Respectfully Yours

Holmes Beach & Haynes
by J Holmes

Waterbury July 13 1865

Prof J C Booth

Dear Sir . . .

The enclose

104 Samples Cent Metal representing Lot
#30 the Blank from which are now
in hand & will be shipped in a
day or two. Why would it not
be well for the government to make
a three cent coin instead of a paper
representation of that value? It strikes
us that a coin of that denomination
would be very popular with the people

Respy Yours
Holmes Booth & Hare
for J Holmes

Washington Dec 8 1865

Prof J C Booth

Dear Sir

Per your please

find Memorandum of Blanks Lot # 29
Shipped this day & marked as before

Respectfully Yours

Hotchkiss Booth Hayden

for J H. Burns

Memorandum of ten casks cont Blanks
Lot # 29 Shipped U States Mint by
Hotchkiss Booth & Hayden Dec 8 1865
10 Casks Cont Blanks by our weight 6,295^{lbs}

Copper 45³/₄

Blanks 70³/₄

Freight

6295	6295
<u>70³/₄</u>	<u>5</u>
1573.75	31475
440650	<u>2</u>
<u>442223</u>	2203.25 ₂
48.56	4406.50
<u>4373.67</u>	<u>1573³/₄</u>
	4422.23

Watbury Dec 7 1865

Prof D C Booth

Dear Sir -

We are in receipt
of your check Forty three hundred
fifteen ¹⁴ in dollars in payment
of lot of Beantles to 26

Yours Truly
Holmes Booth Hughes
Jennings

Watbury July 6 1865

Prof J C Booth

Dear Sir

We enclose 102

samples, Civil District representing Lot #29

Now in front the Blank, he go two or
three days more.

Respectfully Yours

Henry V Booth Haynes

per J Haynes

Feb. 6th 5

Dear Sirs

Enclosed please find Check for
Four thousand three hundred and fourteen $\frac{14}{100}$
Dollars, in pay^t of Lot Cent Blanks N^o 26.

The right & pay of Lot N^o 27 are returned
as correct, the latter being Tin 3.2 + Zinc 2.2.

The price of Copper is 46. Hence the acct.

will be for Cent Blanks, Lot N^o 27

648 lbs. Cent Blanks @ 71 cts. = \$ 4601.51

Less right &c

51.25

\$ 4550.26

Lot 28 under assay, but not yet rec^d.

I also enclose the release, duly signed.

Respectfully yours

J. H. Booth

Messrs. Holmes, Booth & Hayden

Waterbury, Conn.

Waterbury Feb 11th 1865

Prof James C. Booth

If convenient & compatible
with your rules and regulations we
would like to have you send us
from \$200. to \$400, in one & two cents
and if agreeable to you deduct
the same from any remittance
you may make to us

Yours Very Truly
Oliver Booth & Hayden
E. D. Briggs Treas

Watertown Feby 3rd 1865

Prof J C Booth

Dear sir

The enclosed
drawback paper for
mo of Jan'y. which please
place before the proper
officers & oblige

Yours Truly
Holmes Booth & Hayden
per Griggs

Watertown Feb 1 1865
Prof J C Booth

Dear Sir

Below please find
Memorandum Ten casted blanks Lot #28
shipped this day & mailing as usual
Respectfully Yours

Holmes Brooks Maynard
per J Holmes

Memorandum 10 Casts One cast blanks shipped
N States sent by Holmes Brooks Maynard 1 Feb 1865
10 casts One cast blanks by own weight 6143 $\frac{3}{4}$
Lot #28

Copper 45 $\frac{1}{2}$ Blanks 70 $\frac{1}{2}$

Freight

6143	6143
70 $\frac{1}{2}$	70
<hr/>	<hr/>
3071 $\frac{1}{2}$	430010
430010	3071
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4330.81 $\frac{1}{2}$	4330.81
47.89	
<hr/>	
4282.92	

Pittsburgh March 3^d 1865

Hon^{ble} James Pollock
Director U. S. Mint Phila

Dear Sir

I shipped 2 pan
Chloro Rolls for the Mint on the 24th of Jan'y
last and wrote to you at the same time
enclosing Bill Lading and Bill & duplicate Recie
of the same Receipted amounting to \$649⁴⁶/₁₀₀
and have not yet received any answer to the
same - my reason for not drawing on you for
the amount because the last shipment I made
I valued on you and before it reached you you
had remitted - I write to ask you if I shall
value on you for this amount or at your
pleasure to send me a draft for it
expecting the favor of a reply I remain very

Respectfully
John C. Ferry
By D. K. Goomy

From etc.
Geo C Parry.
Pittsburg
Pa

Rolls

March Co. 1865-

March 6 1865

Jno C Barry Esq
Pittsburg

Sir,

Yours of the
3rd inst concerning payment
for chilled ones furnished
the Mink, is received.

You may draw on me at
will for amt of your bill
\$ 649. 46.

Very Respectfully
J. C. Pollock
Director.

New-York, March 8th 1865.

Dear Sir

I would feel greatly obliged if you would inform me at your earliest convenience whether or no this Company can obtain from the Mint \$500.00 or \$1,000.00 in one & two cent pieces, & how soon they can be delivered. If you can furnish them shall I forward the money by express, & in one, or more, names.

Very Respectfully
Yours Obedt. Servt.
Jas. Waring
Scriber.

To
The Master of the Mint
Philadelphia
Pa.

For Waring. Secy
Keep in
Cents

Treasury Department.

Jan 29. 1865

Sir

Your letter of the 24th inst was duly received, calling attention to the reduction of the amounts estimated for the expenses of the San Francisco Br. Mint, in the Appropriation Bill now pending.

The Secretary has addressed the Committee of Ways & Means on the subject, requesting them to amend the Bill so as to allow the amounts originally asked for in the estimate.

I am very respectfully

Yours very truly
Apt. Secretary of Treasury

James Pollock Esq

Director of Mint

Phila.

From

Sec. Treasury,

Concerning the esti-
mates for San Fran-
cisco, Has recommen-
ded Com Ways & Means
demand bill,

Jan 28th 1865

(Copy)

Mint of the United States.

Philadelphia Feb. 1st 1865.

Hon W. P. Fessenden,

Sec. Treasury,

Sir,

Pursuant to law
and the regulation of the Department, I made
examination at the close of business yesterday
of the books, accounts & monies on hand in the
Office of the Assistant Treasurer U. S. at Phila-
delphia, and found a balance of \$ 8. 450.
~~598 47~~, which agreed with his statement of
asp for that day. In the foregoing, the fol-
lowing items were counted as cash.

Found in Sealed packages & marked

"for Reserve Fund"

\$ 2. 382, 900. 00

Temporary Loan,

952. 958. 61

5% Coupon Notes.

284. 450. 00

Very Respectfully

J. W. Pollock
Director

~~From~~ No. 10,
To Sec. Treasury
Monthly count
& examination,

Feb 1st 1865

February 1865-

Feb 24 5.

Hon H. P. Benson

Sec. Treasury,

San Francisco.

The usual monthly count & examination made at the close of business yesterday, exhibited the following balances in the hands of the Treasurer of the Mint

In Gold - \$ 476,398.50

" Silver - 54,311.84

Ordinary Account. 70,678.99

Cash " 257,067.38

On Mint Denver " 1,370.88

" " San Francisco " 1,310.96

\$ 863,155.25

Corresponding with the balances as stated on the officers books of account.

An examination made at the same time into the general conduct of the Mint, gave satisfactory

evince that the affairs of
Institutions were conducted
with fidelity.

Very respectfully
J. A. Ellcock
Director

From to,

Capt. G. H. Beck,

37. His to,

Small parcel of
gold sent & con-
veyed to it,

~~From~~

Feb. 1st 1865

Minist of the United States



Camp 37th Wis. Vols.
Near Petersburg Va.
Jan. 22^d 1865.

Supt. U.S. Mint
Phila: Pa.

Sir:-

I have the
honor respectfully to
enclose you a little bullion
of worth any thing send
me by return mail
its equivalent (market
value) in U.S. cy.

Very Resp. Yours

Geo. A. Beck.

Capt. Co. 37th Wis. Vols

Via: Washington
DC

Capt. Beck's gold consisted of
fragments of gold leaf, apparently
dentists' foil, & yields 35 cents.

Feb. 1st 5-

Sir,

Yours of the 22nd ult. with
enclosures a ~~letter~~ is rec^d.
The gold consists of fragments
of gold leaf, apparently Ben-
dict's foil, & silver 85 cents,
in silver. I enclose 70 cents
am^t. of sale of same, in cur-
rency -

It is contrary to our custom to
receive gold in ~~any~~ ~~amount~~ ~~under~~ ~~the~~
\$100 - an exception has in this
instance been made in your
case. It is understood as
establishing a precedent for
others to the advantage of.

Very respectfully
J. A. Pollock
Director,
Capt. G. A. Reed,
37. Min. Bldg.
Bellevue

Detroit & Milwaukee Rail Road.

Secretarys Office.

Detroit 1 Feb'y 1865

James Pollock Esq

Director of U.S. Mint

Philadelphia

Sir,

On the 31st December 1863
the then Secretary of this Company
sent you a draft for fifty dollars
and asked to be supplied with coin
in cuts — on the 22nd April 1864
he sent another fifty dollars in
the same way requesting a further
supply for that amount.

No response having been received
to either of these communications
I take the liberty of asking when we
are likely to receive the coin requested
to be supplied?

I am Sir

Rec^d 50 - June 1 - 1864 - Paid Apl 26 Yours obedt serv^t
" 50 Apl 26 " " July 26 -

Wm Bell

Marked Detroit & Milwaukee Rail Road - Secy

Thos. Bell. Secy
D & M R R
Detroit
Ms A

Boston Jan 23 1865

Gor James Pollock
Phil^a.

Dear Sir

Yours of Jan 21st
instructing us to draw on you at sight for
our bill for oil \$197.80 is at hand

We have drawn a sight draft
on you as above

We much regret that
you think our price too high, and
assure you that it is but as we can
possibly make it, at present prices
for Lard, unless we fall off in quality,
this we do not intend to do, as our trade
demands a first quality of oil, and
the price charged you is the same
that we charge our customers.

We hope you will continue to
order, as needed, and your orders shall
be filled at same prices as we sell at
to others

Yours respectfully
E. B. Alden Rec
J. S. N.

From
C. G. Blauvelt
Boston,

Have names on
us at sight for
amt. of bill
of Lard oil,

Jan 25. 1865

(Copy)

Mint of the United States.

Philadelphia January 25 1865

Hon Wm P. Fessenden

Sec. of Treasury

Sir

In compliance
with the request contained in the letter
of J. W. Bartley Esq. Actg. Asst. Secretary of the
of the Dept. of the Treasury, I enclose a list of all the Officers,
Clerks, Employees (Male and female) ^{at this time} &c. in
the Mint of the U. States, with Salary, per annum
&c; when appointed, the Authority &c. I
have the honor to be

Yours Respectfully
Jas. Pollock

Treasury Department.

Jan 25, 1865

Sir
Your letter of the 19th inst, requesting
an increase of compensation to the Officers
of the Mint, was duly received, and the Secretary
has asked the favorable consideration of the
Committee of Ways & Means to the application.

I am very respectfully

Wm. H. Hunt
Asst. Secretary of Treasury

James Pollock Esq.
Director of Mint
Phila.

From,

Sec. Treasury,

Has referred ap-
plication for increase
of Salaries in the Mint,
& H. Com. Ways & Means
recommending it fa-
vourably -

Jan 27th 1865 -

From etc.

O. H. Schermer

Chattanooga 18th

N.Y.

Golden deposits.

March 10, 1865

The enclosed memorandum of value was
the only ^{kind of} one made for ^{the deposit} it. The original letter
did not request the bags to be kept separate.
It did request the certificates to be sent to N. York
but it was supposed that the two ^{ordinary} certificates of the
mint were referred to. The ~~certificates of~~ receipt & certificate
of value. The gold ^{bullion} seemed to be as near as possible
of the same quality, is my collection. Explicit instructions should
be sent with the deposit, always. A. L.

NATHANIEL HAYDEN, Pres't.
OSMOND H. SCHREINER, Cash'r.

Chatham Bank,

New-York, 9 Mch 1865

The Director of U. S. Mint.
Phila

Sir

on 23^d ult I forwarded to you
three packages of gold dust, for
coinage, with request in my letter
of same date to send Certificates
of Coinage.

The coin proceeds of same was
received some days since, but
the Certificates have not come to
hand.

Please forward them.

10895.424
108 43
11003.87
\$55.02

Respectfully,

O. Schreiner
CASH

March 10. 5-

C. H. Schreiner Esq.
Care: Chatham Bk.
New York.

Sir,

Yours of

yesterday in relation to the deposit of the
packages of gold dust for coinage is rec^d.
The enclosed memorandum of value was the
only kind of one made for the deposit. The
original letter did not request the bags to
be kept separate, or ask for separate assays.
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posit.

Very Respectfully,

J. W. Blunt
Director

\$ 197. 80



Boston January 1865

At Sight after date Pay to
the Order of Mess E G Alden & Co

One hundred ninety seven Dollars ⁸⁰/₁₀₀

Value received and charge the same to account of
To Geo James Pollock
Philadelphia Pa

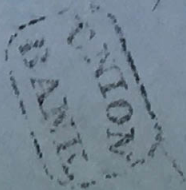
Your Obedt Servant
E G Alden & Co

E. L. Alden Secy

Pay Union War, Bk
Cashier, or Order. Phil
Tracey

Bank of North America,
Boston, Mass

Mo K Hall
A. C. Muschauer



Perry Wyoming Co N.Y. Mar 7/65
Dear Sam

I have about $6\frac{1}{2}$ ozs Dentists gold I wish you to inform me by mail if I can by sending it to the mint have it coined and sent to me by express ~~or~~ or if I can have the currency with premium if coin sent about how soon could I get it after rec^d of gold at the mint

Please answer and Bless
Yours &c

H. W. Scranton

March 10/65 sent post circular.

p

From

H. M. Scranton

Perry

Wyoming Co

N.Y.

Alerted per

March 7 1865

March 10/65 sent per
Circular - J.S.

U. S. Mint,
Deposits

February 1865-

Statement of Deposits Received at the Mint of the United States
during the Month of February 1865

GOLD.

From Assay Office, N. Y.		\$	292026 07
U. S. Bullion.			
Virginia,	Montana		24681 55
N. Carolina,	Idaho		75109 38
S. Carolina,	Colorado		23437 92
Georgia,	U. S. Branch mint. Denver		397 77
Alabama,			
Tennessee,			
Oregon,			
Kanzas,			
Arizona,	U. S. Defaced coin		6193 98
California.			5455 46
			2500
U. S. Coins, (O. S.)			
Parted from silver,			114 88
Jewelers' bars, &c.,			13899 94
Foreign bullion,			3271 51
Foreign coins,			3565 25
Total Gold,		\$	448578 71

SILVER.

From Assay Office, N. Y.		\$	14962 05
U. S. Bullion.			
Lake Superior,	Annual assay coin		2042
N. Carolina,			
Parted from gold,			1633 18
Jewelers' bars, plate, &c.,			2381 90
U. S. coins, (former issue,) &c			4000 78
Foreign bullion,			
Foreign coins,			1551 03
Fractions Spanish & Mexican dollar for exchange for cents,			
Do. do do purchased,			
Total Silver,		\$	
Cents of old issue for exchange for new cent,		\$	
Total Deposits,		\$	24549 36

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department,

New York,

February 10 1865

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt
of \$13,542.20 in Silver coins, in payment
of Invoice No 1.

Very Respectfully

Wm W. Intyre Esq Jacob Russell
Treasurer U.S. Mint Atty. General
Philadelphia

John A Stewart
Newark
N.J. Attn: Rev. Mr.
New York
July 1865

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department,

New York,

February 25. 1865

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of \$99,243.97 in Gold Coins in payment of Invoice of \$4.

Very Respectfully

Arch^d W^d Intgrov Esq
Treasurer U.S. Mint Actg Treasurer
Philadelphia

David Russell

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department,

New York,

February 24. 1865

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt
of \$191,321.97 in Gold Coins, in payment
of Invoice N^o 3.

Very Respectfully

Wm A Stewart

Treasurer

Arch^d W. Indycor Esq

Treasurer U. S. Mint.

Philadelphia.

Original.

No. 3

New York, July 20 1862

Received from the Treasurer of the U. S. Assay Office, for transportation and delivery to the Treasurer of the U. S. Mint at

Philadelphia Four boxes of Gold bullion of the net value of

One Hundred & ninety one Thousand

three hundred & twenty one ⁹⁷ Dollars.

\$ 191,321.97

John Doley
For the Adams Express Company.

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department,

New York,

July 20 1865

Sir

I herewith transmit Express receipt and Invoice N^o 3 of Four boxes Fine Gold Bars, of the net value of \$191,321.97 payable in double eagles.

Very Respectfully

John A. Stewart

Arch^d W^m Ingram Esq^r

Treasurer U.S. Mint

Treasurer

Philadelphia

P.S. It would be very desirable to receive remittances in *etc.* at your earliest convenience.

STATEMENT of Silver Operations of the Calcutta Mint during the year 1865-66.

	Weight, Standard Ounces.	Tale.	Loss, Standard Ounces.	Gain, Standard Ounces.	Rate per Mille.
Merchant's Silver melted	16,183,898.5000	...	27,810.6601	...	1.7184
Ditto ditto cut	6,446,459.5976	...	834.6210	...	.1295
Ditto ditto registered	22,552,092.7754	...	...	...	...
Government ditto ditto	624,882.9225	...	...	...	...
Melted for Coinage	29,340,290.6475	...	24,052.5117	...	.8198
Laminated and cut	30,808,448.9962	...	...	1,524.1054	.0494
Picked and adjusted ... ..	...	71,840,373	139.8183	...	.0019
Filed	1,160,685.3900	...	281.9785	...	.2429
Milled 180 grains blanks	24,342,514.5862	...	2,040.6582	...	.0838
Ditto 45 ditto ditto	76,100.6062	...	3.8437	...	.0505
Ditto 22½ ditto ditto	21,963.8250	...	3.2246	...	.1468
Annealed 180 ditto ditto	25,402,032.3300	...	12,176.2011	...	.4793
Ditto 45 ditto ditto	84,053.3137	...	88.7421	...	1.0558
Ditto 22½ ditto ditto	21,840.6375	...	32.1367	...	1.4714
Stamped 180 ditto ditto	25,540,365.7125	...	1,173.6367	...	.0459
Ditto 45 ditto ditto	83,964.5625	...	.7324	...	.0087
Ditto 22½ ditto ditto	21,808.5000	...	...	2.5859	.1186
Issued Coins, heavy, Rupees ... ..	...	65,443,567	5,519.6796	...	.0843
Ditto ditto ditto, ¼ ditto ... ..	...	850,659	4.5605	...	.0054
Ditto ditto light, ⅓ ditto ... ..	...	443,985	...	5.2949	.0119
Re-alligated	476,566.2412	...	...	530.0605	1.1122
Assayed pyx Coins and Musters ... ..	...	12,996	148.3339	...	11.4138
Silver recovered from sweepings ... ..	...	...	...	...	...
Additional alloy on Melting to meet refin- age, &c., on	28,324,852.8412	32,333.9140	1.1415
Sundry losses	251.2890
Ditto Gains	1,927.4570	...

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J. A. BALLARD,
Offg. Mint Master.

Collector's Office.
New Haven, February 27 1865.

Sir.

We are very much troubled to obtain a sufficient amount of one and two cent pieces to accommodate the business of this office. I have been informed that a supply could be obtained by applying at the U.S. Mint. I inclose herewith a draft for one hundred dollars which I obtained some days since at the First National Bank in this city, and which I have endorsed by your order.

Please forward the coin by Adams Express Co, and oblige

James Pollock, Esq. Very Respectfully, W. H. Stone
Circular U.S. Mint. Yr. Hble. St.
Phila. Penna. Wm. H. Stone & Co.

Treasury Department
First Auditor's Office
February 4th 1865

Archibald McIntyre Esqr
Treasurer U.S. State Mint
Philadelphia
Sir,

Your account
of Ordinary Expenses for the month
of January 1865 is received.

Very Respectfully
Yours
Auditor

J. L. Smith
Auditor

Germany for purchase
Jan 7 44865

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1865/FEBRUARY

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U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1865 / MARCH

Statement of Deposits Recd at the Mint
of the United States, during the month of March 1865

Gold

From Assay Office N. Y.	109402413
Montana	25815541
Idaho	5099736
Colorado	627207
U. S. Ref coin	181530
" " Old Standard	23000
California	205480
North Carolina	27583
Jewellers Bank	1697240
For coin	275738
Australia	268754
Nova Scotia	502522
New Mexico	3686
Parted from Gold	32386
	<u>\$ 120928829</u>

Silver

From

Assay Office N. Y.	1950014
U. S. Coin & C	108383
Jewelry & C	292526
For coin	22188
New Mexico	2584
Parted from Gold	<u>\$ 152483</u>
	2528178

Dr. Smith
deposits,
March 1865

New York. March 18 1865

A. M^c Intyre Esq.

My Dear Sir.

Having promised
to Gov. Pollock, to send him my proposal to day
from here, what I can furnish the Copper and
Nickel 3 cent planchets for by the pound, and
am engaged to day to make a mixture of the pro-
posed composition, in order to get at an actual
cost. I shall roll the metal next Monday, &
will send my estimate on Tuesday next, & will
thank you to excuse me in proper quarters for the
delay, and oblige much Your ancient friend

Wm. B. T. Wagner

Mr French twanger
Nickel alloy

To.
Sec. Treasury

Monthly count
& examination
March —

April 1st 65 —

April 18 65 —

Post-Office, Watertown, Jefferson County, N. Y.

Mch 30^o

1865

Sir

Please send for the use of this
office, Fifty dollars in currency.

(\$30. in one cent pieces & \$20. in 2 C^t
pieces) - I have you inclosed draft
for \$50. to pay there for.

I am entirely out of funds like them
as early as may be convenient.

Very Respectfully
Yours Obediently
L. Smith Esq.

Wm James Tallock
Director U. S. Mail.
Philad^a

Assay Office Mar 31st 1868

To the Melt & Refiner

Assay of Slips from Waterbury N^o 35

Lead 3 1/2 per cent

Zinc 2 - " "

J. R. Schaffer
Assayer

April 1st 5-

Hon Hugh M. Caldwell
Sec. Treasury
Sir,

Pursuant to
Law and the regulations of the Department
I made examination of the close of business
yesterday 31st vet. of the books, accounts &
monies on hand, in the office of the Asst.
Treasurer U. S. at Phil^a. and found a
balance of \$4,887,775.68 which corresponds
with his statement of account for that
day. In the foregoing the following items
were counted as Cash -

Reserve Fund -	2,284,850.00
Temporary Loan	894,863.00

I am Sir,

Very respectfully

J. P. Pollock
Director

made into the general enclosure
of the Mint. gave satisfactory con-
vances into the affairs of the
Institution were being conducted
with care & fidelity.

I am Sir
Very respectfully
Yours
J. Pollock
Director

April 1st 5-

Hon Hugh Mc Culloch

Sec. Treasury

Sir

The usual monthly count and examination made at the close of business yesterday 31st ult, exhibited the following balances in the hands of the Treasurer of the Mint.

In Gold -	\$ 211,074.50
" Silver	38,980.74
Ordinary Exp	41,886.78-
San Francisco Mint Exp.	1,810.96
Denver " " "	1,370.88
Cent Exp -	938,494.99
	<u>\$ 633,118.82</u>

Conforming with the balance as stated on that Office's Books of account.
An Examination at the same time

Provost-Marshal's Office,

FIRST DISTRICT, NEW JERSEY,

Camden, April 1st

1865

To

Superintendent U. S.
Mint, Philad^a Pa^a

Sir

I have the honor to inform you that in accordance with orders from the Secretary of War the Provost Marshal General directs relative to Samuel B. Edwards employed as Roller, in the Mint of the United States Philadelphia Penn^a who has been drafted from this District into the Military Service of the United States, he is excused from reporting under his notice of the draft, so long as he is employed in the Chief Coiners Department, Mint of the United States Philadelphia Penn^a in his present capacity.

I respectfully request that in the event of any change in his position you advise the Board of Enrollment of this District of the fact,

I am very Respectfully
Yours obt Servt,

Alfred Newb

Capt & Prov Marshal 1st Dist of

CAMDEN, N. J.

Sept 10th 1865

WENTZ, ALEX'R

Captain and Provost-Marshal,

First District, N. J.

*Informs us that Ed-
wards is to be excused
from reporting as a
drifter man, as long
as he is in the Penit.*

Sept 10th 1865

Postoffice
Pottsville Pa
Apr 5 1863

Am J. Pollock
Director U S Mint
Philad^a

Dr Sir

On the 27th March I sent
you 50 dollars, for pennies and two cent
pieces for the use of this office, at
present I am entirely out and transacting
business for the Government under many
difficulties in making change, as they
have not come to hand. you will confer a
great favor if you will send them to me as
soon as possible

And oblige

Very Respectfully

Yours &c

Mrs Margaret Sillyman Th.
p. 16

Margaret Seligman

PLM

Pottsville

Pa

ct

Bank of Binghamton.

Dear Pollock Esq
Director of Mint
Philadelphia

Binghamton, N. Y., Apr 6th 1865

I am making a
collection of old coins. Some data I am
unable to find.

Will you please inform me
the years if any in which new were coined.
2¢ Silver Dollars. 1793, from "1805 to 1835 inclusive" 1837,

" Halves 1798, 1799, 1800, 1816

" Quarters 1793, 1794, 1795, 1797, 98, 99, 1800, 01, 02, 03, 08, 09, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 16, 17, 26, 30, 3

" Dimes 1793, 94, 95, 99, 1806, 08, 10, 12, 13, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 26.

Cents. 1815

Very Respectfully
Your obed^t Serv^t
H. G. Rodgers.

Half dimes 1793, 1798, 1799, 1804, "1806 to 1828 inclusive"

issued in 1861 and were coined every year

H J Rogers
Binghamton
N.Y.
U.S. Census

Group of Binghamton

Postmaster N.Y. & N.J. 1880

MANUFACTURERS OF
Dixon's Carburet of Iron Stove Polish,
AND
Dixon's Lumber Pencils.
—o—
On and after January 1st, 1862, our goods will be sold
EXCLUSIVELY FOR CASH,
New-York City Funds.
JOSEPH DIXON & Co.

Office of Dixon's Black Lead Crucible Works,

ESTABLISHED IN 1827.

Jersey City, N. J., Mar 17-1865.

Hon Jas Pollock
Director U. S. Mint
Phila Pa

Dear Sir

Your order of Mar.
7th was duly rec^d and the pots are in
process of Manufacture" it will take from
20 to 30 days to get them ready for shipment,
depending a little upon the weather for drying"
we shall get them off as soon as possible."
Please pardon our remissness in not answering your
order sooner, we commenced the work and the
letter was then overlook^d" this morning we are
in rec^t of your favor of 16th

Respectfully Yours
Joseph Dixon & Co
Per J Cleveland,

From,
Jos. Dixon esq
Jamez City,

Ack^d in letter,
will ship enci-
bles as soon as
possible -

Wch 18, 1865

March 18 57.

Hon. F. C. Springer
Treas. U. S.

Sir,

Yours of the
17th with draft for 50000 is received.
I forward to you today that amount
in one and two cent pieces, as requested -

I am Sir,

Very respectfully

J. A. Pollock
Director

3
L. J.
Treasury of the United States.

Washington Mar 17 1865

For
Please to forward by
Adams Express Co. as early as
may be, Nickels for the Enclosed
Draft of \$1000 on Phil^a - 1/3
\$500 in 1. &
500 " 2 &

Respectfully
A. S. Johnson
Treas. U. S.

Mr James Pollock
Director of the Mint
Phil^a

From & to.

Hon F. E. Spinner

Treasurer U.S.

Draft for \$1000

for cents rec'd

Cents paid —

March 18, 65 —

AMOS H. TROWBRIDGE, Pres't.

CHARLES P. HARTT, Cashier.

Second National Bank,

CORNER 5TH AVENUE AND 23D STREET.

NEW-YORK

March 23^d 1865

J Pollock Esq

Director to

Dear Sir,

Your letter

of 21st Inst. is received.

Your ac is correct, the
two pkgs of 50 each, Cents, were
duly delivered here, but were
not credited.

Yours
C. P. Hartt
Cash

2nd Christmas Bk.
New York
Ct.

Head Quarters,
Department of Pennsylvania,
1103 Girard St Philadelphia, Pa., Mar 23, 1865.

Hon Genl Pollock
Capt M S Smith
Phila

Dear Sir

I have the honor
to state that a very worthy
young lady of the highest respect-
ability - whose family have
suffered much by the war
desires a situation in the
Mint - will you please in-
form me if you can give her
a situation - if so the kind
of duty and the salary -
- she is a Philadelphian
and her case is one which
demands consideration on
the part of the Govt -
I therefore request that

that you favourably consider
this application —

The lady's name is Miss
Coxe - I do not know it in
full -

Yours

Very respectfully

Yours to the point

Wm. S. Schuyler

April

From etc.

Mrs S. Schultz

A a G

Phila

Situation for
lady in month

Dec 27. 65—

Normistown, Pa

March 25. 1865

Hon: James Pollock

Sr. Sr:-

You may not remember me, but I have frequently met you in our past political struggles and you have been at my house here.

I write you in behalf of an estimable young lady of our town who is poor and desires a suitable situation in the Mint at Phila. She is a consistent member of church, a modest well educated and honest young lady and one worthy of your highest respect and confidence. Can she obtain such a situation, & what would be her pay? If you answer in the affirmative I will come down with her. I remain

Yours obt Servt

George W. Corson

From Mr.

Geo. W. Casner

Northampton
Pa

Situation for
a lady desired
no place for her.

Ms. A. 8. 65-

March 28

Geo W Benson Esq.
Newtown

Per.
Sir,

In
reply to your note of the
20th inst. I have to say that
in consequence of there being
no vacancy in the Unit. I
~~will be unable to give you~~
any you refer to. a po-
sition.

Very respectfully
Yr obt. Servt
J. P. Pollock
Director

Donia Mich (Mar 24th)
1863

James Pollock

Sir I have
4 $\frac{1}{4}$ oz of Dentists Gold Plates
Some of which are made from
U S Coin & are of the same
standard as 20 pieces & will
except the solder a few pounds of
California Gold which is
good I know that the rule
is not to receive less than
five oz of this kind of gold
or rather \$100.00 I cannot
tell but I think my
gold would be worth \$100.00
or very near as it is much
better than jewelry bars.
I would esteem it a favor
if you would receive
this amt. I have wrote several
times but for some reason

have not had an ans
2

Respt

in

W. H. Butler

N. R. Cutter,
Yonkers
N.Y.

Old gold -
Circular sent,

March 28, 1865 -

March 28/65. Answer
by Circular. P

March 27 5-

Ans S. Schults,

A. A. Schults,

Sept of Per.

Dr Sir,

I have
recd your letter of the 23rd
with requesting a situation
for a lady in the Parish.
It would afford me much
pleasure to comply with
your request, but at present
there is no vacancy whatever,
nor is there likely to be for
some time to come.

I am Sir

Very truly

J. A. Bloch

Director

New York, March 21st 1865

Gov^r Pollock.

Director U. S. Mint.

Dear Sir

Being engaged in
experimenting on the cost of the three cent coin, I
beg to state that I shall be pleased to furnish in
the course of this week, some planchets of the
desired composition, weight, and size, with the
value for furnishing the U. S. Mint 50,000^{cts}, as
suggested by you when in your office. I trust
that you will give me a chance, which shall
be duly appreciated, by

Yours most Respectfully,

Wm. B. Thompson

From + Yo

L. Feuchtwanger
N. Y.

Proposals for
3-cent blankets,
Birds and birds,
Wich 20th, 1865

SHELDON & COMPANY,
Publishers and Booksellers,
No. 335 BROADWAY,

New-York, March 23 1865

Hon James Pollock
Director of the Mint.
Sir,

Will you be pleased to send us
a tabular statement of the Coins of the United States
the metals of which each coin is made and the
proportion of each metal used in the composition of the
coins.

Was there not a law passed by the last Congress
authorising a new coin of the denomination of three cents
If so, please to state the name by which this coin is
to be known and the metals to be used in its com-
position also the proportion of each

For a volume which we now have in preparation
we wish the above information and we shall esteem
it a favor if you will furnish it at your earliest
convenience

Very resp^{ly}. yours

Sheldon & Co.
per J. Mills

From etc,
Sheldon Her
N. Y

Value - composition
weight &c of
our coins -

March 27-65

March 30th 85

L. Heuckhanger Esq
N. York.

Sir.

Yours
of the 28th with enclosing bid
for the manufacture of the
new three-cent blankets, is
received.

Other parties having
bid much lower than your-
self, your proposals can-
not be accepted.

Very respectfully
J. Pollock
Director

HOLMES, BOOTH & HAYDEN,
WATERBURY,
CT.

March 28th 1865

Prof. J. C. Booth,

Or Sir

Yours 27th

saying you had no account of lot blks
Lot #33 is at hand, below please
find memorandum of weight.

Yours Respy.

Holmes Booth & Hayden

By me *Whinnie*

Memorandum of blanks Lot #33
shipped United States Mint, by
Holmes Booth & Hayden, March 8th 1865.
10 Casks one cent blanks 6212 lbs

Duplicate

copy
Phila. March 13th / 65

40.
R. B. Swann,
Supt. Branch Mint,
San Francisco

Cal $\frac{a}{n}$

The deficiency appropriation
is one hundred and thirty four
thousand, eight hundred and
eighty nine dollars and sixty
eight cents.

Appropriations for next fiscal
year. Officers and Clerks
thirty thousand five hundred.
Wages one hundred and seventy
five thousand. Contingent
fifty thousand. Will ask
for warrant at once — Eckfeldt's
Am. fund on James Pollock
2nd $\frac{a}{n}$ mit, Dir of Mint,

Telegram

70

Sept. Br. Unit.
San Francisco

deficiency & other
appropriations &c

March 13, 1865 -

Phila. Mich 29th 1815.

Hon. Jas Pollock
Director U.S. Mint.
Phila

Dear Sir,

We respectfully beg to acknowledge the propositions made to our several companies for proposals to furnish the blanks required for the new three-cent coinage under the late Act of Congress - the same to be composed of Twenty five $\frac{1}{2}$ Cent Nickel & seventy five $\frac{1}{2}$ Cent Copper.

Each of our houses have been experimenting with making our bids respectively for the full amount of the contract but as we have proceeded, have felt obliged to come to the conclusion that we could not furnish the probable required amount, without seriously interfering with our present business & if ~~that~~ that were required we must necessarily decline to assume the responsibility, as it is greater than we believe any rolling mill in the U.S. is prepared to take.

We propose however, if the

same shall state your views, that the undersigned companies who we represent, shall each furnish one-third the required amount, delivering in weekly lots ^{as may be ordered} from one several manufacturing every third week; said blanks to be cut from metal of which you shall have previously assayed & approval samples.

Taking the basis of \$1.50 in gold coin per lb for 95% Nickel & 40 cts per lb ^{for copper} in currency, we propose to deliver you the blanks of the required weight, size, cleaned free from grease, but not dipped or milled, at One dollar eighty cents per lb and p.

This price will of course be regulated by any changes which may occur in the metals used from the basis named & is based upon gold at 1.50 in currency. Settlement to be made in U.S. Currency or Legal Tender Notes.

Trusting you will approve our joint proposals & believing the same to be lower than we could furnish upon estimates ^{for} the whole amount, by either of our houses.

We are,
Very Respectfully Yours

Permit & Burnham & Co
Chas Benedict & Co

Holmes Booth & Hayden
16. Booth St

Scovill & Co
San Volume Agt

Contract

Chas. Benedict for
Hayes Booth & Hayden
Same Volume Agt

March 29. 1865

Balance for New

32 Corn. to the firm with
Recd

Watertown, N. H. 24. 1865
Prof James C. Booth
Dear Sir,

We are in receipt of check Fifty two hundred forty seven ⁸⁴/₁₀₀ Dollars in payment of Vol. 32

Yours Truly
Holmes, Booth & Hayden
C. D. Briggs Treas

Treasury Department,

First Comptroller's Office,

March 11th, 1865.

Hon James Pollock,
Director of the U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Your communication of the 9th inst, requesting information as to the appointment of Mr John M. Eckfeldt as Melter and Refiner of the Branch Mint at San Francisco, and addressed to the Hon. Secretary of the Treasury, has been by him referred to this office, and in reply I have to inform you that the appointment has been made, and that his Commission, bearing date the 28th day of February last was forwarded him from this Office on the 2nd inst.

Very Respectfully &c
A. M. Sawyer
Comptroller.

From

1st Comptroller
Treasury

Appointment of Mr
Eckfeldt M & R at
San Francisco in
place of Mr Denis
Dec d —

March 11th 1865 —

New York March 14th 1865

James Pollock Esq
Director of the U. S. Mint
Philadelphia
Pa

Sir,
We have in Port in
Steamer "Lansa" from Bremen:
F & W #1056/1060 5 cases, of 500 lb
each, 99% refined Nickel and
F & W #1085/1086 2 cases of 550 lb
& 400 lb 50% refined Nickel,
which shipment we beg to offer
you (or any part thereof) at
the price of Gold \$1. $\frac{25}{100}$ net cash for
the 99% grade & . $0.62\frac{1}{2}$. . .
. 50% quality; payable on delivery
free in Bond here in the same
manner as formerly agreed upon
between us.

In case of your acceptance
and offer you will please
procure a free permit for entering
the goods. Yours most respectfully
Steinman Weiss,

P.S.
We guarantee both grades
hereby offered to be well adapted
for coinage purposes

From & to.

Heitmann & Weiss

N. Y.

Offen Michel
acknt —

Nach 16. 65 —

March 16. 57.

Mrs. Schumann & Heiss
New York.

Gent.

Yours of the

11th inst. is received,

We are not in want
of Nickel at the present time, and
therefore are under the necessity of
declining your offer.

Very respectfully,
J. A. Black
Owner.

Treasury Department,

Office of Internal Revenue,

Washington, *March 14th*, 1865.

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 13th instant. I have to say that section 123^d of the Internal Revenue Act. requires disbursing officers to forward to this Office a detailed statement - form 10 - giving the name amount taxable, amount of tax &c.

Respectfully yours
C. H. Parsons

Cashier Int. Revenue.

A. Mc Intyre, Esq.

Asst. Treas. U. S.

Philadelphia.

Penn^a

C. H. Farnus
Capt. Am. Regt.
Newbury Mass.
March 14th 1865

DR. U. S. Mint

In acc't with the Second National Bank of New-York. CR.

1864	June	7	To Cash	1000
	"	"	"	200
	"	"	"	100
	24	"	"	100
Sep	14	"	"	200

1600

1865	Mar	18	Balance	100
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1864	June	22	To Cash	200	20
July	20	"	"	100	✓
Aug	2	"	"	50	✓
	22	"	"	100	✓
	30	"	"	50	✓
Sep	2	"	"	100	✓
	6	"	"	50	✓
	9	"	"	50	✓
Oct	4	"	"	50	✓
	21	"	"	50	✓
Nov	4	"	"	100	✓
	8	"	"	50	✓
	12	"	"	50	✓
	17	"	"	100	✓
	18	"	"	50	✓
	22	"	"	50	✓
	26	"	"	50	✓
Dec	1	"	"	50	✓
	16	"	"	150	✓
	27	"	"	50	✓
			Balance	100	
				1600	

AMOS H. TROWBRIDGE, Pres't.

CHARLES P. HARTT, Cashier.

~~HENRY A. HURLBUT, President.~~

~~ALBERT G. ALLEN, Cashier.~~

SECOND NATIONAL BANK

NEW YORK

Nov. 18th 1865

J. Pollak Esq
Director U.S. Mint
Dear Sir

I enclose
Your Ac. Current to date
showing balance on due of 100.

Please examine and report

Yours
C. P. Hartt
Cy

2 Natural Bk
New York,
City
Ents

HOLMES, BOOTH & HAYDENS,
WATERBURY,
CT.

Waterbury Mch 31st / 65

Prof. J. C. Booth

or Sir

find bills for Lots #33 & 34, as per
memorandum received from you this
day

Yours Very Truly
Holmes, Booth & Haydens
C. Merriman

Melter & Refiner's
Correspondence

March. 1865

Watbury March 1 1865

Prof J B Booth

Dear Sir

We ship you to day
Got #32 One Cent Blanks & below please notice
Memorandum of weight - The excp of Ten & fifteen
has been owing to the fear that our men would
lose some in the press & that the assay would
show too little - We will try to reduce the
excp hereafter - We notice from remarks
related to the 3 & 5 cent coin & hope you will
be able to get authority from Congress to make them
It would pay the government well & be very
popular with the people - The paper currency
in those small denominations and so easily defaced
& counterfeited -
Very Respectfully Yours
Hobbes, Booth & Hayden
per J Hobbes

Memorandum of Got #32 Blanks shipped the N
States Mint by Hobbes, Booth & Hayden March 1 1865
10 Casks One Cent Blanks by own weight 6272^{lbs}
Marking as usual

6272	6272	1442.56
<u>69.2</u>	<u>1881.6</u>	<u>4327.68</u>
313.6	12544	31.36
56448	144256	<u>4359.04</u>
37632	<u>92</u>	

4359.04
<u>43.66</u>
4315.38
(over)

Assay & weight correct.

Expenses 48.48

Copper @ 43½. Blanks = \$0.68½

6272 lbs.	6272
68½	17
3136	43904
50176	6272
37632	106624
4296.32	4
	426496
	3136
Freight.	\$ 4296.32
	48.48
	\$ 4247.84

Waterbury Nov 14 1865
Prof James C Booth
Dear Sir

We enclose duplicate
bills of Lot - Banks No 32
received as usual

Yours Truly
Holmes Booth & Hayden
C. D. Gnyga Treas

Watertown March 13 1865

Prof J C North

Dear Sir

Your favor of the 10th inst
enclosing check \$8,130⁵⁰ in payment ^{for} lots of Plants #30
& 31 came safe to hand for which please accept our
thanks & Yours of the 8th stopping further production
of the one & two cent bank found in with
some 10 or to 12 or stock in process of manufacture
which we will immediately finish & ship.

We will in course of this week experiment
a little on the new alloy & send you probably
the last of the week a few blanks for the new
3 Cent piece as specimens of what we can do
& should you need any outside help to bring
them out in sufficient quantity can at once
commence on them & give you weekly any statement
amount wanted.

Very Respectfully Yours

Wm North Haynes
per J W Holmes

Philad^a March 22^d 1865

Hon^{ble} James Pollock

Director U. S. Mint

Sir

The bearer Mr
James Holmes represents the Scovell
Manufacturing Company, a very reliable
and highly respectable concern of
Watubury Court - Mr Holmes desires
to have some conversation with
you on business matters, which he
will explain - we have had an
acquaintance with the House for
30 years and have always found
them honorable & reliable in their
transactions

Yours Truly

James C Hand & Co.

P.S. - They are loyal

Hon^{ble} James Pollock
Director U S Mint
Mr Saml Holmes Philad^a

1865

OFFICE OF THE

Benedict & Burnham Mfg Co.

Waterbury, Conn. Feb 17 1865.

Prof. J. C. Booth
W. S. McInt. Phila.

Dear Sir,

May I ask the favor
of you to advise me when the Coin Matter is ready
for proposal, I think the blanks can be furnished
@ 75^{cts} if not over 30 Gr or at \$1.60 @ 170 per lb. @.
for the blanks whether of 30 or 32 Gr. & possibly less.
I have not made a close estimate but it will not
over go the above,

Very truly yours
Chas Benedict

* Calling J. Wharton, Nicker \$3.

HOLMES, BOOTH & HAYDENS,
WATERBURY,
CT.

Waterbury March 18. 1865
Prof James C Booth
Dear Sir

Your favor of 16th
in regard to Punchels for
3 cents coin is at hand

The wife leave
home Monday morning
and call at the Unit
Tuesday Morning in regard
to the subject —

Ourselves He is not well
enough for hand today
or would be able to call
on you Monday

Yours Truly
Holmes Booth Haydens
E. D. Giffys May

Waburny March 16 1865

Prof J C Booth

Dear Sir

Please find Memorandum
for J. H. Smith lot #34 — We have now the last
lot in hand which will embrace all the stock we
had cast on the roll of Town order to stop
sending — If you are still making the one & two
cents at the mint & it would suit your interests
as well we should be pleased to continue to make
them making some in this way for the new 3 cent to
be made in the mint — We merely suggest this as a
thing which would suit us better than to go on something
new still we expect to be governed by your interest & wishes
& not ours — We shall experiment some this week on
the new alloy & learn how we can handle it —

Respectfully Yours

Henry Booth & Haynes
per J. H. Haynes

Memorandum weight of 8 Plancks, Lot #34 Shipped
the U.S. Mint by Hobbs, Booth & Haynes, March 16 1865
10 Cast, One Cent 8 Plancks by own weight 6117 $\frac{3}{4}$ ^{lbs}
Marking as usual

Mar. 4th 5

Dear Sirs

Enclosed please find Check for

Eight thousand two hundred and fifty six $\frac{59}{100}$
Dollars, being in full for pay^t of Blanks, Nos
28 & 29. less \$400 = to be returned in Cents.

I also enclose amounts for Nos 30 & 31, which
are correct in weight & assay. The price of Cop-

per is $44\frac{1}{2}$ for 31 & $45\frac{1}{4}$ for 30. Hence

N^o 30 - 6231 lbs. Blanks @ $70\frac{1}{4}$ = 4377.27

Less freight, &c

51.32

\$4325.95

N^o 31 - 5537 lbs. Blanks @ $69\frac{1}{2}$ = \$3848.21

Less freight, &c

43.66 \$3804.55

Net amt of Nos 30 & 31 — \$8130.50

Respectfully yours

J. C. Booth

W. Holmes, Booth & Hayden

Waterbury, Conn.

Valentine Feb 10 1865
Prof James C Booth
Dear Sir

We enclose certificates
of Drawback for mo of Tilly
for necessary signatures

Please pass them over
to the proper parties to be
executed & oblige

Yours Very Truly
Holmes Booth Hayden
for Greys

Watertown Feb 1. 1863
Prof James C. South
Dear Sir

We are in receipt
of Check Eighty two hundred
fifty six ⁵⁹/₁₀₀ Dollars in payment
of Lots of Receipts No 28 & 29

We also enclose bills
receipt of Lots 30 & 31

Yours Truly
Holmes South & Hayden

We note in the drops of Congress
that they have authorized a 3 cent
Coin — If convenient & not against
your rules please go as the Comptroller
of the army from which they are to be
made
Respectfully
J. Holmes

Assay office March 7 1865

To the Melter & Refiner

Assay of Slips from Waterbury N^o 32

Tin 3 $\frac{3}{10}$ per cent

Zinc 2 $\frac{7}{10}$..

J. R. Eckman Assayer

Mint of the United States.

Philadelphia March 27 1865

Messrs Sheldon & Co

Gent^l

The coinage of the United States is comprised in fifteen pieces, as follows:

<u>Gold.</u>	Weight, in Troy grains.	Fineness, thousandths.	Value D. C.
Double Eagle	516.-	900	20.00
Eagle	258.-	"	10.00
Half Eagle	129.-	"	5.00
Three-Dol. piece	77.4	"	3.00
Quarter Eagle	64.5	"	2.50
Dollar	25.8	"	1.00
<u>Silver.</u>			
Dollar	412.5	"	1.00
Half Dollar	192.-	"	-.50
Quarter Dollar	96.-	"	-.25
Dime	38.4	"	-.10
Half Dime	19.2	"	-.05
Three-Cent piece	11.52	"	-.03

<u>Nickel and</u> <u>Bronze Alloys.</u>	Composition.	Weight.
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Three-Cent piece	A white metal, 25 parts nickel, 75 parts copper.	30 grains, with an allowance of 4 grains.
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Two-Cent piece	A gold-colored bronze, chiefly copper, with tin and zinc.	96 grains.
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One-Cent piece	Same as two-cent.	48 grains.
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The "allowance" stated as above, will probably be made use of, to make an average weight of 33 grains, in case that should be found to improve the striking of the coin. The above three pieces do not pretend to give intrinsic values, but are simply moneys of change, with a very limited legal tender.

The three-cent piece in silver ~~which has~~ ^{has not been} discontinued, by act of March 3rd; but will practically be displaced by the nickel piece.

marginal 14. 512 grains, and are gold finer, being in due proportion to the hard dollar.

The fineness of 900, means that amount of fine gold, or fine silver, (as the case may be) in 1000 parts; the remaining 100 parts being copper; in the case of gold coins, there is a little silver in the alloy, displacing so much copper.

The new nickel coin has not yet been struck, but will be issued shortly. The alloy is of entirely different proportions from the old nickel cent, and will maintain a white color.

It should be added, that the silver dollar, which is not in proportion to the lesser silver coins, is a continuation of the old silver dollar, and as compared with the half dollar is worth $107 \frac{27}{64}$ cents; but if bought at bullion ~~rate~~ rate for recoinage, its value would be 105.273 cents. It therefore holds an

At the same time its legal value is no more than 100 cents. It therefore holds an anomalous position, and gives rise to some confusion; but all attempts to have it discontinued by law, have hitherto failed.

Treasury Department.

Mch 10, 1865

Sir

In connection with the letter of D^r Torrey, forwarded to you this day, I transmit herewith, for your examination and report, a communication from D^r Feuchtwanger submitting samples of planchets.

I am very respectfully

Yours very truly,
A. S. Wright
Asst Secretary of Treasury

James Pollock Esq

Director of Mint

Philadelphia

Treasury Department.

March 10, 1865

Sir

I transmit herewith for your consideration, and such action as you may think proper, an application from D^r. Torrey of the Assay Office, in behalf of D^r L. Feinchtwanger, who desires to furnish the planchets or blank pieces to be used in the coinage of the new three cent pieces recently authorized by Congress.

I am very respectfully

Wm. Field

Asst. Secretary of the Treasury

James Pollock Esq

Director of Mint

Philadelphia

From + to,

Asst. Secs Treasury

Concerning propasi-
tion of Mr Heuchtray
& furnish new alloy
for 3 cent pieces,

March 14. 1865

(copy)

Mint of the United States.

Philadelphia ~~February~~ March 17, 1865

Hon H. M. Culler

Sec. Treasury.

Sir, The enclosed communication from the Chief Coiner of the Mint was rec^d by me a few days ago. I fully concur with him in the statement he makes in reference to the necessity of retaining in our institutions the men therein named. They are all skilled workmen and their places can not easily be supplied. They are not able to pay the expense of procuring substitutes. If you approve of this application be pleased to present this subject to the Hon Sec of War request his favorable consideration.

Very Respy
(Yours) Jas P. Beck
Director.

To.

Sec. Treasury;

Enclosing letter
from Chief Comr
on having certain
drafted men ex-
cused -

Wch 17. 1865 -

the whole amount furnished by that date, and
in quantities as wanted; not to keep you delayed
until that time, as I am prepared to commence
immediately. I shall endeavour to meet with
your approbation if you conclude to give me a
chance. Awaiting your kind orders I remain

Very Respectfully

Your obed^t servant

Chris^tian Thayer

U. S. Mr. July 14. 1865

Hon Secy of Treasury

Sir

In my communication of the 6th I
enclosed specimens of the Copper & Nickel coins
as presented in the letter & pamphlet of Mr
Wharton, & there suggested that a coin of
the denomination of three cents might be
made with profit &c. ~~Further~~ & abundant
expressions from that, although the alloy is
hard & intricate to make - brittle & hard to work, yet
it can be counteracted, & used for such a
coin, that will and ought to take the place
of the present postal currency. My opinion is
that a coin of
a larger denomination than three cents
ought not to be authorized, certainly not
to exceed five. A three & five cent coin
would meet all the requirements of the public
& "small change", and in the event of their in-
struction, the ^{corresponding} proper denominations ought to
be withdrawn from circulation.
I enclosed a bill relating to this coinage, &
I have enclosed ^{a sec. for} the five & ten cent coin, ^{to be used} in the
event of the department differing from me in relation to

to the denomination to be authorized, the
bill can readily be altered to meet the views
of yourself or Congress.

I propose to leave the proportion of alloy to the
discretion of the Director of the Mint, as expe-
dient may require a better proportion than
the 75 silver & 25 nickel.

The cost of producing the coin will be from 50 to
75 per cent. of the legal value: & therefore the
coinage will be (after paying all expenses of
material & manufacture) a source of profit
to the government. The coinage is also placed
in all respects upon the same basis as the
large coinage - & made a legal tender and
all payments not exceeding twenty cents.

It will be difficult to counterfeit & if counterfeited can be easily detected.
On the side, weight &c. will be convenient & desirable.

If this coinage either of one or all the denominations,
(2 - 5 & 10) shall be authorized, I will proceed
at once to prepare specimens & from which
the coin to be issued can be selected.

I herewith return the letter & pamphlet &
all what remains.

OFFICE OF THE

Benedict & Burnham Mfg Co.

Waterbury, Conn. Mar 20 1865

Hon! Sam Pollock

Director of Mint

Phil^a

Dear Sir

I shall have
pleased in few days to submit proposals for the
supply of Blanks for new coin, Copper & Nickel.
I await a little
information now desiring it may enable me to
make a favorable & more definite proposal than
I can today.

Respectfully & Truly Yours
Chas Benedict

From

Bernard Burnham

Mfg. Co

Watertown
Conn

Will you send
proposals for blanks
for new coin

Dec 31 st 1865

Treasury Department.

March 21, 1865.

Sir
Your letter of the — inst. transmitting a communication from the Chief Coiner of the Mint, requesting the exemption of three men who had been drafted into the military service, on the ground that their services were of much importance to the business of the Mint, was referred to the Secretary of War for his consideration.

A communication from him, of the 20th inst. states that the Provost Marshal General has been directed to parole the three men in question, Wm K. Parks, Samuel B. Edwards, and Charles B. Houseman, so long as they remain in their present positions.

I am very respectfully,

James Pollock Esq.
Director of Mint

W. F. Field
Asst Secretary of Treasury

Yours,

Sec. Quincy

In reply to mine con-
cerning draft tax man,
from the Unit.

Sec of War has order-
ed them to be paroled,

Mar 22^d. 1865

21 Royal Mint
London, England.
Feb^r 21 1865

Sir

The writer would respectfully solicit pardon for any appearance of presumption there may be in addressing you this note. Having for many years served as engineer in charge of the coining press, I have discovered that by a little extra labour in the process of coining the very beautiful effect of a deep and bold impression can be produced upon the coin

as in duty bound I have tried
till I am weary, to get
the authorities here to adopt
it but without avail
I now make bold to forward
an application for the same
purpose to you. I write
in the belief that the people
of America would derive
satisfaction from being in
possession of a coinage far
superior to that of all
other countries
the process will of course
require each matrix to be
deepened by the hand of
a skilful engraver to
about double their present

depth.

a few more hands must
be employed.

the same machinery will
do.

should you Sir consider it
desirable to introduce this
improvement to the American
Coinage, the writer is
willing to transfer his
services to superintend the
carrying it out

I have of course placed the
possibility of failure beyond
question before writing

as a married man with
a family I should require
the assurance of permanent

employment with the offer
of a reasonable and
fair salary

I am Sir

Yours obediently
Rich^d Sheward

To the Master of the
American Mint

(Copy)
Mint of the United States,

CHIEF COINER'S DEPARTMENT,

Philadelphia March 1st 1863.

Hon James Pollock
Director. Mint of the U.S.
at Philadelphia Penn^a.

Dear Sir

In my department
from among the workmen engaged therein,
there has been drafted so far, into the mili-
tary service of the U.S. the following named
persons:

William K Parks Assistant Engineer - 2nd District
Saml B Edwards Roller Camden New Jersey
Chas B Houseman Cutter 2nd District of Penn^a

I would respectfully request that you write the
Hon. Secretary of the Treasury, and request him to
ask for their release from the Secretary of War,
as they are all experienced workmen, and I
candidly confess their places cannot be filled
without detriment to this Department, and at
the same time will retard the operations of this
Institution; as just at present these men are
most urgently needed in our gold coinage

I have the honor to be

Very Truly Yours

Obdt Servt

John G Butler Chief Coiner

31
I have now a certified copy of the Act
of the late Congress authorizing the coinage of a
three cent piece, & in pursuance of its pro-
visions now submit for your approval
the a specimen of the coin to be issued under
said Act. The size, weight, device &c are
convenient & neat & the coin such as
meets with the approval of all to whom it
has been exhibited. The weight will be on the
average ~~3 1/2 to 3 3/4~~ ^{3 1/2} grains. - The device & figures
are clear & distinct - the edge smooth, by which it
can even in the dark be distinguished from any
of the silver ~~coin~~ ^{coin} ~~pieces~~ ^{pieces}. ~~It is a very fine~~
in my respect is a desirable coin. I re-
commend its adoption & ask your approval,
If this coin is adopted we can in the course
of two or three weeks be prepared to issue the
three cent piece. If any changes are to be made, it
will require a month longer to prepare new
dies &c.

for this.
It is also proposed to adopt all the regulations
of the Coin Law as they stand the case in
force. Your early attention and approval are
respectfully requested.
Wm. West Roper
J.D.

To.

Sec. Treasury

Enclosed specimens

3 cent pieces &

request his approval
of design etc

March 11th 65

March 14th 5.

Mr. Hugh M. Bullock

Sec. Treasury

Sir,

The communications of the Asst. Comptroller of the Treasury of the 10th inst., enclosing letter from Dr. Torrey, and letter and specimens from L. Burchtwaenger, in relation to supplying the Mint with planchets for the new cent coinage, have been received. The proposal of Mr. Burchtwaenger is to furnish ~~planets~~ ~~in~~ ~~the~~ ~~form~~ of an alloy of copper and nickel. It is a sufficient reply to this to say that the law fixes the composition & proportions of the alloy of the new coinage, viz nickel 25 copper 75 - an alloy differing entirely from the alloy of L. Burchtwaenger. He offers to furnish them the first of July next; we will require them in two ~~week~~ weeks. He may be able to make some of the planchets in the Mint, but

propose to our principal supply from
the same firm (Hobbs, Booth & Wagers) in
Washington, who have with fully & well
supplied one of the plants for our bronze
coinage. The firm consists of gentlemen of
irreproachable integrity - stern loyalty & prompt
and energetic in the performance of all their en-
gagements. We have had long experience in
the manufacture of the Nickel alloy - have the
 requisite machinery, and can furnish all
the plants & machinery wanted on short notice, and
at the lowest market prices. I have full confidence
in their promptness & integrity, and have no hesitations
in giving them the
preference in any contract that may be made
by the purchase required.
I herewith return letters of Dr. Tracy & Mr. Knott
regarding our case, having retained one as
a specimen -

I am Sir,

Very respectfully
J. B. Pollock
Director.

can in the course of two or three weeks
be prepared to receive it: if any chan-
ges are demanded it will require a
month longer to prepare us for it.
It is also proposed to wait for this,
all the relations of the coinage,
as they put the case in full.
Your early attention and approval is
respectfully requested.

I am Sir,

Very Respectfully

Yours
Director.

The composition of the coin is Copper 75-
parts, Nickel 25-parts —

March 27. 57

Hon. Hugh M. Seward
Secy of the Treasury.
Sir.

I have re-
ceived a certificate copy of the Act of
the late Congress authorizing the coinage
of a three-cent piece; and in pursuance
of its provisions now submit for your
approval a specimen of the coin & the
circular under said Act. The size, weight,
composition, and appearance of the
coin are as made out the opinion of
all to whom it has been exhibited. The
weight will be on the average 30 grains.
The design and figures are clear and dis-
tinct; the edge smooth, by which it can
easily be distinguished from
any of the silver or gold coins; and in
every respect it is a desirable coin.
I recommend its adoption, and ask your
approval. If this coin is adopted, we

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